

Rev. Jesse G. MacMurphy

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Saturday, Jan. 1, 1910.

There has been cold weather for more than a week, sometimes as low as 12 degrees below zero on my piazza. About that degree this morning. I am burning a hundred and fifty pounds of coal in a day to keep up steam heat. I heard from Jennie several times today. She complains of the cold and constant care of the fires. Mrs. Ethel Adams also telephoned me a New Year's Greeting. Finished writing my sermon this morning, read over and corrected, punctuated more freely. Read it to Mrs. Taylor who called it a good sermon and interesting to the general public.

## Sunday, Jan. 2, 1910

Fifty degrees warmer than it was yesterday morning. Melting snow dropping from the roof when I got up. Dressed, took coffee and oatmeal, went to church attended and assisted

in holy communion at 10:45. Remained at Sunday School. Took dinner at Rectory, came home, read in Arthur Young's book of a trip to Ireland 1774. Attended church at 6:30 p. m. taking part in service, afternoon had supper at the Rectory, and remained in conversation until ten o'clock, came home about 10:40, wrote some and went to bed at eleven.

## Monday, Jan. 3, 1910.

Not quite as warm as yesterday, but very mild. All meals at home today and pretty good meals too, if that is praising the cook. Received an Omaha paper with notice of death of Mrs. Harriet S. Mac-Murphy's mother at the age of 86 years, a pioneer in Nebraska. Mrs. Julia Ward Dakin was a lovely woman. Cousin Harriet will miss her mother sorrowfully. I attended bank meeting at four o'clock. There were nine trustees of the Nutfield Savings Bank present at the regular meeting

the first Monday in each month. I am at home this evening and will read and write.

Tuesday, Jan. 4, 1910.

Ten degrees above zero and going lower in the morning. I went to the bank and examined all the notes and securities with Holmes, Whitney and Gordon and swore to the report. Came home for dinner. Prepared supper quite elaborately for Rev. George E. Haslam and his son Cummings. After supper the latter helped me wash the dishes. A. D. Smith was here and tuned the piano this afternoon. At night attended the annual meeting of lodge, was elected Master and installed with other officers, closed in due order and harmony.

Wednesday, Jan. 5, 1910.

Ten degrees below zero again, a light now falling toward night. T was at home all day, and had difficulty in making steam enough to fill the pipes and radiators. Miss Guernsey called and reported a Christmas present from Mrs. MacMurphy in Chicago and wished me to thank her. Chase came in at night with a Kipling book he had bought touching masonry, "The Man that would be a King," but I found the same story in my collection of Kipling's works in ten volumes. Jennie telephoned, Mr. MacGregor was at home today. Tomorrow they may attend G. A. R. and W. R. C. installation and feed.

# Thursday, Jan. 6, 1910.

Melting rain this morning. I remained at home all day. Mr. and Mrs MacGregor hired a closed hack and attended installation of G. A. R. at their annual and had a supper, with the W. R. C. serving. At the state assembly of Mt. Nebo Council I worked the Royal Master degree on George P. Upton, afterward remained talking over the banquet for next Tuesday, it will probably be provided by the Knights of Hildreth hall and

given in Church parlors under Mason's hall. Suncook lodge will send a crowd that night to pay return visit to St. Mark's lodge.

Friday, Jan. 7, 1910.

Mild weather. Spent the whole day writing on sermon for Sunday and finished it with corrections and points. Read it to Mrs. Taylor. Cooked the beef on hand with pork, onions carrots, turnips and potatoes but did not eat any of the stew. I had much food on hand, ready to warm up in twenty minutes. Talked with Jennie. She wants to get out, tired of being shut up to tend fires and cook. I find it takes time to provide three meals in decent shape and look after the furnace and kitchen fires, but the winter is passing.

## Saturday, Jan. 8, 1910.

Spent the morning with Wm. F. Madden, talking over his affairs and reckoning accounts. He has six sons and two daughters. I went over town

in the afternoon to attend to some business. Telephoned with Jennie. J. Duffy was there for hay and work She wanted to know my opinion or letting him have hay. Dr. Charles E. Newell may serve as steward in the lodges. I want two stewards. Heard from cousin Alice M. Corning, must visit them at Londonderry. Mr. Chase came in for a conversation. Mrs. Haslam telephoned me.

# Sunday, Jan. 9, 1910.

Arose at 7:30 a.m., bath, change of linen etc., breakfast attend church, conduct service and preach at 10:45. remained at Sunday school, came home for dinner, wrote and prepared some papers for tomorrow, went to church, 'ook part in the service at 6:30 p.m. Took supper at Rectory and spent some time with the family. Mr. Haslam had services at East Manchester and Goffstown, preached at home in evening. I came home at

10:30 and am getting ready to go to bed. Rather cold all day but not severe, to cause discomfort.

Monday, Jan. 10, 1910.

Bright day but cold, went to West Derry to attend to some business. Took in some money, enough to pay Racine taxes, \$132, or more after dinner at home. Mrs. MacGregor came in and spent an hour or more talking over plans for doing different if possible, she is tired of stayat the farm all the time. I am telling her, she and her husband should travel a little, spend months away, board a while for a change. It is dull staying in the country only two of them, to amuse each other and try to keep cheerful.

## Tuesday, Jan. 11, 1910.

Arose at 7:30 a.m., bath, in cold water as usual, breakfast, wrote some, read a little, telephoned with Fred Moore, saw Marvin, dinner at home attended directors meeting at

bank, two o'clock, trustees meeting at four in Savings Bank, came home prepared supper for Rev. Mr. Haslam and Fred W. Powell, cleared up alone, we went to lodge, thirty there, members of Suncook lodge came down, and sixty of our own turned out, worked Master Mason's degree, had banquet with speeches, came home at eleven, and attended to steam heat, ready for bed at twelve.

# Wednesday, Jan. 12, 1910.

Arose at 7:40 a. m. bath, breakfast, attend to household cares, Mrs. Tewksbury came and swept and dusted the house three hours, 45 cents. Dinner at home, went to the Davis's, collected but nothing from the Howards, spoke to Packer to fix the sink for Mrs. Johns, went to Rectory for tea, Mr. Haslam came at seven, we attended evening services, vested choir practice afterward half an hour, went inside Rectory again to

talk with family and drank a glass of Scotch whiskey in water very smooth, came home at ten thirty, attended to furnace.

#### Thursday, Jan. 13, 1910.

Arose at half past seven, bath and breakfast, was at home all day, getting three meals and refreshing my memory for tonight, had Rev. Mr. Haslam and Mrs. Taylor at supper, afterwards attended a stated convocation of R. A. Chapter and worked the Royal Arch degree on three persons, Rev. Mr. Haslam, W. Arthur Gilbert and M. E. Odell. The work was done very finely with new furniture, afterward we partook of refreshments, getting through and ready for home at eleven fifty, looked at fire and went to bed, some after twelve.

#### Friday, Jan. 14, 1910.

Another cold day of freezing damp weather. It took me all the time between meals to keep the house warm, and I burned a dozen scuttles of coal and about as many baskets of wood. I wrote on a sermon about two sections or ten pages, telephoned with Mrs. MacGregor twice, found her busy in the same occupation of keeping warm, read the Saturday Evening Post, Women's daily paper of St. Louis, Mo., and other papers when business permitted. Mr. Chase spent some of the evening with me and Mrs. Taylor some.

#### Saturday, Jan. 15, 1910.

Moderately cold weather, got all meals at home, wrote on sermon all day and finished it before dark except corrections and punctuation, which occupied the evening. Mr. Doran called and I gave him a free month's rent for work done about

the Abbott house setting posts for clothes lines etc. Mr. Gilbert called and paid two dollars on account for degrees etc. He seems to be having trouble in the family. Mr. Chase paid me eight dollars for rent and heat thus far. It takes much coal to keep the steam pipes decently warm.

#### Sunday, Jan. 16, 1910.

Arose at 6:50, put on my overcoat and attended to steam heater in cellar, returned to bathroom, took full bath, dressed and went to church. Assisted at 8 o'clock celebration, took breakfast at Rectory, attended services at 10:45 and assisted, remained at Sunday school, had dinner at the Rectory, came home, made notes in afternoon for Derry Enterprise to go into print with sermon. Miss Jessie Seavey called. Attended evening service at 6:30 and preached. Mr. Haslam was away. Took 'tea at Rectory and spent the rest of the evening there.

Monday, Jan. 17, 1910.

Below zero this morning, bath and breakfast, cooked corned beef, pork and vegetables and had them warm for dinner, bought several things of grocers. Jennie telephoned that John Duffy came and paid for 500 of hay. Mr. MacGregor went to town with Kit for drawing, he has office at depot with desk. Mr. Haslam came in for supper, vegetable soup, beef pork etc. with cocoa for drink. Mr. Chase came in and we played 500 till half past eleven. Mr Haslam hurried home and Mr. Chase and I hurried to bed before the lights are off.

Tuesday, Jan. 18, 1910.

Up at 7:30, took bath, dressed and lighted the kitchen fire, then went down to the steam heater after breakfast read the morning papers I get by the kindness of Mrs. MacMurphy or somebody else, "The Woman's National Daily". The day has been rather void of interest, few callers,

but some telephoning. The days are about half an hour longer principally increasing in the afternoon. The Derry Enterprise with sermon is at hand within about two months of three years weekly publication of sermon for me.

#### Wednesday, Jan. 19, 1910.

Up at 7:30, took bath and dressed, made coffee and cooked rolled oats, was at bank and attended to business. Met Jennie and we paid the Bartlett's \$40 for legal services in settling mother's estate. She afterwards went to Manchester, and I came home, received an appointment as Representative of the Grand Council R. and Select Master in the State of Iowa to the Grand Council in the State of New Hampshire. I have four tickets to the concert of the Derry Choral Union in Adams Memorial hall tonight, have invited Mr. Chase. Mr. and Mrs. Huntee to attend with me.

#### Thursday, Jan. 20, 1910

Accepted commission as Representative of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of the State of Iowa, and so informed the Grand Recorders of both Iowa and New Hampshire. I wrote George E. Chickering about Otis and his things, asked him to go ahead. Wrote Daniel P. Atwood about Maltese cross, Mr. Chase and I went to the Rectory and played 500 with the Pastor and Mrs. Haslam until eleven o'clock, then sat down to an ovster stew, coffee and cake. We came away about half past eleven and it is just striking twelve as I write these last words in the diary.

#### Friday, Jan. 21, 1910

Mr. Robie was at the door before I had finished dressing, to take orders for groceries, another grocer came later, and a laundryman. I began my sermon soon after breakfast and spent all day upon it finishing about five o'clock except some cor-

rections, etc. The day has been mild and mostly rainy, fires have smoldered rather than burned briskly. Jennie was heard from several times on telephone. I tried some new anthems by the organ after tea, they come monthly, about four pieces at a time from Boston. I mean to go to bed early tonight to make up lost time.

#### Saturday, Jan. 22, 1910.

It has rained about all day but has cleared at night showing the moon. Wrote to Thomas H. Henderson in England, he returned twenty years ago and lived in New Castle on Tyne. Wrote to Rev. W. B. Huson also in England, he is at Blackpool, was in my class at Nashotab, 1873, he has been a Jesuit priest many years but always kept up his end of letter writing. Corrected my sermon and read it over aloud to Mrs. Taylor. Tomorrow will be a busy day if nothing prevents me from taking all the services planned.

#### Sunday, Jan. 23, 1910.

Arose at 7:30, took bath, made change of clothes, prepared breakfast, conducted service at church and preached at 10:45 a.m. Took dinner with Mrs. Haslam and the boys, went to Manchester at 2 p. m. Took service and preached at 3 p. m. at St. Michaels, came back had tea with Mrs. Haslam, gave sermon, prayer and preached at 6:30 p. m. good choir all day good singing, at the city Mrs. Hunt played the organ. I came home at 8:30 visited with Mr. Chase. He says he saw the comet this evening in the west, Halley's comet.

#### Monday, Jan. 24, 1910.

Another mild day, at home all day, wrote some letters, in the morning. The Manchester Union speaks of the comet of last evening as A comet and I do not know if this was Halley's comet, will soon find out, tonight it was not visible owing to

clouds and general haziness all over. Mr. Sefton and Mr. Russell came in to rehearse their examination in the first lecture on the Entered Apprentice's degree. They are posted in good shape. Several callers today. Grocers made four calls ordering and delivering. Must get out for exercise tomorrow.

Tuesday, Jan. 25, 1910. .....

Another mild day, partly rainy, collected some rent of Mrs. Su'livan and of Mrs. Horsley. Spent the day very temperately eating and drinking to leave my memory clear. Attended St. Mark's lodge and worked the Fellow-craft degree upon C. A. Sefton and L. W. Russell. The work went very nicely and we finished so that I reached home by eleven o'clock. It is so mild that I shall not fuel the furnace again today. One lot of coal three scuttles lasting all the twenty-four hours with addition of the siftings on top.

Wednesday, Jan. 26, 1910.

This has been a fine day. I was at West Derry and collected rents of Mrs. Howard, Mrs. Moquin and Mrs. Murphy, made deposit in bank, signed order to pay the Knights for Mason's banquet, at night attended the Sunday school association at our church, several clergymen there. Address by Rev. Victor Houghton of Exeter and others made remarks. full vested choir, had refreshments at Rectory afterwards and social, Mrs. Mary Niles present and Rev. Stanley Emery, Rev. W. P. Niles, Rev. C. A. Bailey, Rev. G. R. Hazord, the teachers of S. S. spoke on means of interesting.

#### Thursday, Jan. 27, 1910.

I saw the comet last night in going to evening church, it was directly over the apparent position of the sun, and was about 15 degrees in length, the tail perpendicular to the horizon. I called on Mrs. Crowther this afternoon, 21 Birch street, afterwards

went to the Rectory, coached Mr. Haslam in Chapter work he learns easily. Mr. Chase came over after supper and we played 500 till 10:40 then had refreshments of sandwiches, cake and tea, we have just reached home at 11:35 the moon is shining, some snow fell in the evening.

## Friday, Jan. 28, 1910.

I wrote on my sermon part of the day, heard from Jennie several times, am going up there for a night to let Mr. MacGregor attend to some business in Nashua, Sunday and Monday. Rev. Haslam came over for tea, and after Mr. Chase came in and we played five hundred till thirty seven minutes past eleven. The night is dark and Mr. Haslam had to hurry away to reach home if possible before the electric lights are turned off. I wrote up my diary and then got to hed at ten minutes to twelve.

Saturday, Jan. 29, 1910.

The night has been wet, rain and sleet by turns. Very quiet about the house, heard from Jennie often by telephone, heard from Dr. Barker of Chester and talked with him about a Milton Cevlon Dodge who lives on a farm near him, and called on me today about coaching him for Masonic degrees. He has taken two without instruction having a dispensation from the Grand lodge on account of residence. Gilbert paid me one dollar tonight on account. Finished my sermon and read it to Mrs. Taylor. I must go to bed early tonight to make up for last night.

## Sunday, Jan. 30, 1910.

I got breakfast and attended to steam heat as well as possible and went to church, taking part in service at 10:45 a.m., remained at Sunday School, then went to Rectory for dinner with the Rector, his wife and two sons at home, came away at two,

attended to steam heat, wrote up notes for my sermon and account of meeting of Merrimack Sunday School Association of last Wednesday, also for publication. Shall attend another service tonight, take tea at Rectory, then go to the farm to stay with Mrs. MacGregor.

## Monday, Jan. 31, 1910.

Breakfast at the farm with Mrs. MacGregor, came to town bought meat, bread, pie and called for my dress and case at the Rectory, came home found steam low but fire. bought apples, ate light lunch, read papers until Rev. Mr. Haslam came. he took measure of some book shelves and went to the mill for boards, he returned and worked till I had the meal supper, steak, potatoes, soup, mince pie, bread and butter and cocoa drink. He is working now. I shall go around by the depot and up to the farm to spend the night..

#### Tuesday, Feb. 1, 1910.

Slept at the farm, Mr. MacGregor came home today, he has sold some land in Nashua, Jennie joined in signing the deed, he will need to be in Nashua another day and night so I am to go to the farm again tomorrow night. Rev. Mr. Haslam was here all day making book cases and staining them to match the others, so he took dinner and supper with me, and spent the evening. Mr. Chase joining in for a game of 500, this has become a favorite amusement with no stakes or forfeits in the playing.

## Wednesday, Feb. 2, 1910.

Wrote on a sermon about half the morning and some in the afternoon, covering some twenty pages, Prof. Angell made a call to inquire how to read some blue lodge masonry. Mr. Haslam called about five, he then made some calls on parishioners then came back and I shut the house and went with him, had tea at the

Rectory, attended evening prayer. Mr. Chase arrived and Mrs. Haslam, Mr. Haslam, Mr. Chase and I played five hundred till eleven o'clock, then we ate a hot oyster stew and I went up to the farm and stayed with Jennie.

#### Thursday, Feb. 3, 1910.

I had breakfast with Mrs. Mac-Gregor and started homeward about ten o'clock. Some snow falling and the air chilly, read the papers and letters, one from George Chickering who is getting Otis's things together at his house, dinner and supper at home, telephoned a little, attended Council meeting worked S. M. degree on George Upton, finished in good season, came home, built fire in kitchen stove and read in Saturday evening Post, "The White Magic," good 'story by good writer, going to bed soon.

## Friday, Feb. 4, 1910.

Considerable snow fell in the night and is falling this morning, took usual bath and prepared usual breakfast, attend to washing dishes read morning dailies and letters, took up the sermon and finished it with exception of more careful punctuation and corrections. Several store teams here at least three different clerks for orders. I gave a little time to studying ritual on M. M. M. degree, the work comes next week, I heard from Jennie several times to day by telephone, also from others. James A. Pollard sent excuse for absence at Council last night.

## Saturday, Feb. 5, 1910.

Considerable snow on ground, a little colder, all meals at home to-day, read and corrected sermon, spent the day reading and tending fire in kitchen and furnace, heard from Jennie several times, Mr. Gif-

bert made a call in evening, he starts in on the statistics of the town Monday to print for the Town Report at the Derry News Office. He has told me that the Elder, Mr. Bampton died in Paris recently, had just gone abroad, home in the village, I am getting ready for Chapter work on Thursday.

#### Sunday, Feb. 6, 1910.

Took bath at 7:45, dressed, made coffee for breakfast, at ten started for church, conducted service, gave the holy communion and preached at 10:45, attended session of Sunday School, attendance good for a cold day, zero weather, took dinner at Rectory, came home, attended to the fires and furnace, sang and played for an hour, telephoned with Mrs. MacGregor, colder toward night, went to evening church at 6:30 p. m. then to the Rectory, had tea with the Rector and family also Mr. Seavey

and then came away at nine, look after steam heat and write in diary.

## Monday, Feb. 7, 1910.

Arose at 7:30, found the temperature 15 degrees below zero and the fire low, started up heat, got breakfast, and found hot and cold water faucets in bath stuck, thawed them out, later found some trouble with bath tub thawed them out, attended two bank meetings in the afternoon and came home to get supper for Mr. Haslam and Mrs. Taylor, afterwards Mr. Chase came in and we played 500 till half past eleven, then I \*ended fires and went to bed, house fairly warm and cheerful.

#### Tuesday, Feb. 8, 1910.

Eight o'clock, about 10 degrees above zero, water pipes all free, fire alive, took bath, dressed and had breakfast, played and sang by piano, all meals at home by myself. Dartmouth man of 1904 called to try to sell bonds. Another man; called to try to borrow two hundred dollars. Mrs. Lewis and her uncle, Mr, Russell called, wanted to buy the Burnham place, Lawyer Russell telephoned to know if Tewksbury's place is in Londonderry, Jennie also telephoned a long time, on various subjects, she is trying to learn the names of playing cards to while away the long spells of enforced idleness.

## Wednesday, Feb. 9, 1910.

About ten minutes of eight when I took bath, breakfast in half an hour and things put away before starting for church, service at eight, communion, I am exempt from fasting by reason of age, had a slice of toast and cup of tea with Mrs. Haslam, attended service at nine o'clock, went to bank, attended to some transfer of money, came home, thought up a sermon for evening and remained in

till then. Jennie went to Londonderry. She telephoned me before and after It is quite near to raining as I start for church.

#### Thursday, Feb. 10, 1910.

Arose at 7:40, took bath, dressed and prepared the breakfast of coffee and oatmeal, at dinner had the oyster stew and toast with coffee, went to bank calling upon several tenants who are hard up on work and got nothing. In the evening after supper, attended meeting of the R. A. M. chapter, and worked the degree of Mark Master Mason on Fred W. Powell. I put them through all the opening and closing of R. A. M. and of M. M. M. in due form to give them efficiency in their parts, there was a good attendance and the work was done well. Came home with Rev. Haslam at ten thirty, and to bed.

Friday, Feb. 11, 1910.

Arose at 7:15 rather cold morning, spent the forenoon at home. In afternoon went to bank and paid some bills, making calls also, declined to go to tea at Rectory on account of double trip, and because I need to be home to look after the heat. Jennie sold some hay for me to Mr. Cote at twelve dollars a ton. Dr. Hill telephoned me a plan to make Hardy and wife a present from the Masons on his silver wedding the 25th, perhaps we will give them a solid silver tea set. Lando B. Hardy and wife are good people.

# Saturday, Feb. 12, 1910.

About six inches of new snow on the ground this morning and some falling, lightened up during the forenoon, but remained more or less cloudy all day. I tackled my sermon and wrote most of the day, when I was not attending to meals and fires, the rooms have been comfortable, at

evening I built a wood fire in the fire place to look at during the evening. Mr. Gilbert came in about half past nine, paid some money on account of R. A. M. degrees. Four English dailies arrived from Thomas H. Henderson of Newcastle, something attractive about these sturdy business papers.

#### Sunday, Feb. 13, 1910.

Took bath at 7:45 a. m. Attended fires and prepared breakfast, went to church at 10:45, good choir of ten and congregation of forty, had dinner at Rectory, came home built fire in sitting room fire place, prepared notes for paper, attended evening service after having tea at Rectory with Rev. C. R. Bailey. Mr. and Mrs. Colby of Londonderry and Mrs. Haslam and two sons. Mr. Bailey preached, there were ten in choir and thirty five in congregation, after Mr. Haslam came back ate again with him and came home at eleven.

#### Monday, Feb. 14, 1910.

The first number of the Sunday issue of the Manchester Union I bought today, I was at West Derry calling and collecting rent at several places, not all had money on hand. I went to the farm about four in the afternoon, took supper with Mr. and Mrs. MacGregor, came back by Derry depot and bought the Sunday edition of the paper, there are 28 pages in it, and they are very well edited and printed. Coming home at seven thirty o'clock, found Miss Ella Eastman here, talked with her in the sitting room by the open fire, went up stairs and interviewed brother Chase.

## Tuesday, Feb. 15, 1910.

Fairly comfortable day, I was at home most of the day, arranged by telephone with the Stewards to collect money for a Mason's present to L. B. Hardy, a movement was on foot but I combined them in one, Jennie

telephoned several times as usual when she wants to have some company. Mrs. Taylor paid her rent to March first. She sat and talked with me, even tried to sing alto as I was at the piano, I sang probably two hours today at three or more sittings I have furnace fire and also fire in sitting room.

#### Wednesday, Feb. 16, 1910.

Mild day, I found it soft under foot and overcoat bothersome in making my calls on the O'Haras and Davises. All meals at home, Jennie went to Manchester today. She saw Emily S. Hall and Mrs. Pinkham was with her. John Duffy came down to see me and we talked about all the schoolmates of the old district school of sixty years ago at Folsom's corner, he wants to buy some hay at the farm on credit, he was dressed neatly and appeared nice. Mr. Chase came in to talk over ritual for the lodge, and

make ready for the next meeting, the 22nd of month.

#### Thursday, Feb. 17, 1910

The predicted snow storm arrived today, light snow fell all day, roads not bad here but a storm prevailed all over the country and severe in some places. I have been at home all day, wrote two sections on a sermon, and in the evening rehearsed some ritual with Mr. Chase and talked over Masonic work. Notice of Shrine meeting came today, have an engagement to go to silver wedding that day. Read some in Saturday evening Post and the other papers. Mean to go to bed early.

# Friday, Feb. 18, 1910

Spent about all day writing on my sermon and finished it before supper, then read it to Mrs. Taylor afterward rereading for punctuation and additional notes here and there to make

the meaning clearer. Telephoned with Jennie several times. Dr. Hill telephoned that he will call on me tomorrow morning about the silver present to be given to Lando B. Hardy and wife, also to arrange for something to eat next Tuesday at the lodge, he and Dr. Newell will provide a lunch this time and a banquet next month on occasion of visitation.

## Saturday, Feb. 19, 1910.

Rather cold morning, slow fire under the steam boiler till I found it best to dump the grate and begin with a wood foundation, plenty of heat since. Had a talk with Hardy, Angell and Goodrich on blackballing new candidates. Dr. Hill called and I gave him a dol'ar toward the silver wedding present for the Hardys. Jennie telephoned several times. Mr. Haslam called in the afternoon and I invited him to tea. He came back at six o'clock and had tea with me and was here until half past eight and went home.

### Sunday, Feb. 20, 1910.

Close to zero weather at half past six, at that time I attended to the steam heater, and fixed the drafts for several hours, took bath, dressed, and went to church for the holy communion at 8 o'clock, had breakfast at Rectory, attended service at 10:45. Eleven in choir and the singing good and strong, we have good voices, had dinner at Rectory and came home, put on more coal, the weather moderated to a thaw on sunny side, spent the afternoon writing notes to sermon and in singing and playing at the piano, shall preach tonight at 6:30 and have supper at Rectory.

### Monday, Feb. 21, 1910

Warm rain in the forenoon. Daniel M. Boyd drove over in a heavy shower, came in for an hour. I rented him the Campbell house, he will dig and stone a well and put in a pump, he wants to buy back the wood lot he sold to me ten years ago, and pay a

good price because he owns all around it now. E. R. Angell came in and spent two hours in reading his ritual. W. A. Gilbert also was here in the evening and later C. B. Chase The day has been busy, my furnace fire is not going to night.

## Tuesday, Feb. 22, 1910.

Snow storm about all day with high wind part of the time, colder at night with thick cloud indicating more storm, temperature near thawing, I was at home all day, telephoned a little with several persons, had daily mail although this is a legal holiday, went to St. Mark's Lodge in the evening, worked Master Mason's degree on C. A. Sefton, we then had a supper with about thirty-five at table, Dr. Hill and Dr. Newell the stewards, provided sandwiches and coffee and cake, came home at 11:45, mild night.

Wednesday, Feb. 23, 1910.

Shoveled snow from paths this morning, bright sunshine and mild, three grocers teams here one after another to take orders, they come every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Heard from Mr. MacGregor several times, two Moquin girls came with rent money, they asked me to play a few tunes on the piano and seemed to enjoy music. Mr. Chase came down in the evening and we reviewed last night's work at the lodge. I started up steam heat again, chilly and my open fire is a comfort.

# Thursday, Feb. 24, 1910.

A cold morning, about 10 degrees below zero, the sun came out bright and the air was crisp but warmed up long before noon to 40 degrees above. I was at several tenants in the afternoon, called at Dr. A. I. Hill's to see a sterling silver tea set that may be presented to Mr. and Mrs. L. R.

Hardy tomorrow at 25th anniversary, talked with Rev. Lucien Adams, had Ietter from Dr. R. H. Barker of Chester, also from Dr. E. G. Moody of Exeter with postal order for interest and policy on farm, heard from Jennie twice today by telephone, "The Church Times" of Feb. 11th arrived this afternoon direct.

## Friday, Feb. 25, 1910.

The mercury fell to 20 degrees below zero this morning in this village and colder in several other places, water pipes all right. I wrote on sermon part of the afternoon, at night attended Silver Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Hardy, about 200 people there, some outside of town, valuable silver ware presented, much of it sterling, some heavy plated, larger articles, there was a reader and several players, a little orchestra, refreshments and well served and plenty of the kind, dainty and sweet, home at ten o'clock.

### Saturday, Feb. 26, 1910.

Another cold morning quickly becoming mild. I went to the bank for deposit and returned at twelve o'clock, prepared dinner, sausage, boiled potatoes, bread butter, pie and coffee, after dinner set about finishing my sermon, had several interruptions, the furnace fire had to be rebuilt. Mr. Doran called to pay a month's rent and talk, at night Mr. Boardman Lincoln Meek called to talk and left twenty five dollars on account, he is very religious and blesses the Lord repeatedly in conversation. I reread my sermon and made corrections, it is quarter after ten.

# Sunday, Feb. 27, 1910.

Took a bath and dressed between 7:30 and 8 a. m. Prepared breakfast and arranged the steam heater for the day, mild and thawing weather, went to church, conducted service, and preached at 10:45, remained at

Sunday school and conducted Bible class, took dinner at Rectory with Mrs. Haslam and two sons, went to Manchester, conducted the service and preached at 3 p. m. came back to Derry, dropped sermon at Printing Office, took tea at the Rectory, conducted evening service and preached at 6:30, had supper afterwards and came home.

### Monday, Feb. 28, 1910.

Cloudy and wet, more than half the snow gone in twenty-four hours, was at home till after supper, went by special car to station, thence to Manchester and to Visitation of Mt. Horeb Chapter, R. A. M. the Royal Arch degree was worked, we found a large attendance. Comp. Tripp of the Shubert Quartet sang several selections and Mr. Lewis was at the organ. We had supper before the regular hour so that the Derry companions, about a dozen could come on the last car, I am here at twelve o'clock in a rain.

Tuesday, Mar. 1, 1910.

Wet day, was around the house and busy until half past two by telephone, was asked to go to Manchester and preach tonight, take tea with the Baileys and stay all night, went on the three o'clock car, heard Dean Hodges of Cambridge Divinity School preach at St. Andews at 4:30 a. m. Took tea at the Baileys with the Rev. his wife, and son, attended church and preached at 7:30 p. m. Full choir at both services and good congregation, went back to the Baileys for the night and spent the evening talking.

Wednesday, Mar. 2, 1910.

Slept soundly all night at the Baileys, had notice at 7:30 that breakfast would be ready in fifteen minutes, dressed and ate breakfast with the Rev. and Mrs. Bailey, William the son had gone to work at the McElroy's. Came home on the 10:45 car, dinner at home, Mrs. Haslam

telephoned me at five to come over for tea at the Rectory to practice Easter music and service after, Brent Haslam came up from Boston at 6:30 looking very well, attended church and read the prayers at 7:45, sang an hour with the choir, spent another hour at Rectory and came home at eleven.

#### Thursday, Mar. 3, 1910.

The snow has disappeared on more than half the ground in open spaces, but remains in the woods. I rode to Scoby's pond with Dr. Sanders this morning to sell him a few birches that he can cut and draw for his own exercise and use, attended Mt. Nebo Council in the evening, have served as Thrice Ill. Master two years and tonight the election of officers took place and I installed them as privileged by rule. Lando B. Hardy is the new Master by regular promotion and the vote of the Council, all done and home at ten o'clock, clear weather.

#### Friday, Mar. 4, 1910.

Spent the day in doors generally, but sawed up some fire wood using rather poor and green wood that stands outside in snow and rain. Wrote most of the day on sermon and finished it at half past four, went to the Rectory for tea, thence to Board of Trade banquet and speeches by several distinguished guests. Gov. C. M. Floyd, Judge Chamberlain, Dunlap, Savercol, and others, Prof. G. H. Bingham among them, Finished at eleven so that Manchester visitors could leave on the car, 125 persons at banquet, orchestra etc., home at half past eleven.

#### Saturday, Mar. 5, 1910.

Bright morning, and some birds that look like summer visitors are here. Mrs. Tewksbury called to talk over the situation. She wants to keep the old place, but cannot find any way out of the funeral expenses and doctor's bills for the late Mr. and

Mrs. S. P. Tewksbury without my help. I have read my sermon aloud to Mrs. Taylor and punctuated it anew. I am starting for the city this afternoon, expect to meet the confirmation class of St. Andrews this evening and lecture them and afterwards remain at the Baileys' over Sunday for services.

Sunday, Mar. 6, 1910.

Slept at 31 George Street and had bath and breakfast before nine o'clock, went to St. Andrews conducted service of holy communion and preached at 10:45 a. m., full choir and crossbearer, took dinner after opening and closing a Sunday school of 14 teachers, 90 scholars and 5 others. Spent the afternoon at the Baileys' and went to church at 6:30 p. m. and preached. Came back to Derry at nine o'clock, found Rev. Wm. Porter Niles at Rectory, also Louis M. Packer. We had supper about ten o'clock. Mr. Haslam came home before eleven, I excused myself and came away at 11:20 p. m.

#### Monday, Mar. 7. 1910.

Rainy morning but cleared before noon. I attended two bank meetings in afternoon, called on the Hosleys, but got no money, called on Pinkham did not find him, got rent money of the Sullivans, called on lawyer Russell for conversation as to the Tewksburys and their place. Miss Ella Eastman came in at night to see Mrs. Taylor. W. Arthur Gilbert came in with two dollars,. Richard Adams brought \$25 rent of \$21 from Racine by registered letter. A little colder, bluebirds and robins seen.

# Tuesday, Mar. 8, 1910.

Bright sunshine, I went to West Derry and voted by the Australian system, all on one ticket. Same democratic principle as my father and both grandfathers of recent years mainly on the losing side. There are sixteen hundred names on the list of legal voters in Derry, long line from the poll to the street entrance to the hall. Came home for dinner. Mr. Mc-Gregor has gone to Nashua and I am going to the farm for the night as Jennie is afraid to be left alone over night. I shall return in the morning but may need to go there tomorrow night.

### Wednesday, Mar. 9, 1910.

Slept at Mrs. MacGregor's, had breakfast there and came home at noon. Was about home till after tea, which was served with the Rev. Geo. Haslam here to participate, after tea went with him to church at 7:45 and then practiced the Easter music I directed the choir which was in pretty full attendance, afterwards went to the Rectory and played a few hands at 500 with the Rector and wife, then had some cake and warm drink of whiskey, lemon, sugar, and hot water to ward off a cold. Came home near twelve o'clock and am about ready to lock the house and retire for the night.

Thursday, Mar. 10, 1910.

Stanted writing sermon, finished two sections, after dinner went over to depot and attended to some payments that came on or before the tenth of every month. After tea went to the annual meeting of Chapter, was reelected High Priest of Bell Chapter, R. A. M. and with full corps of officers installed for the ensuing year. Came home at ten o'clock and Mr. Chase and I sat up by the open fire in the sitting room and talked an hour, then I read and wrote up my diary for the day, and went to bed in cheerful mood.

### Friday, Mar. 11, 1910.

After breakfast began to write on the sermon where I left off yesterday and wrote all but the last section, had several callers, Mrs. Goodrich here for a while, she telephoned with Mrs. MacGregor, it took some time to get her on the line. Miss Ella Eastman was here and helped Mrs. Taylor Two grocery men took orders in the morning and came again to deliver the goods. I am going to Manchester at seven o'clock to attend a visitation of Adoniram Council, there will be a special car from here, a banquet will be served and we shall return near midnight.

### Saturday, Mar. 12, 1910

Bath and breakfast. Finished sermon. Miss Ella Eastman came and dressed Mrs. Taylor for the D. A. R. meeting at Mrs. Melvin's, Mrs. Taylor had to relate to the society the "sports and amusements of the early settlers." They had a tea also. In the evening Mr. B. Lincoln Meek came in and talked about the Burnham farm, he wants to stay there. Mr. Chase came in and we reviewed last night's performance at Council. Manchester, after he went to bed I sat and read and finished writing this diary and other things and retired also. .

### Sunday, Mar. 13, 1910

Gave morning prayer and preached at our church at 10:45 a. m., remained at Sunday school, and took part in exercises of Bible class, attendance of vested choir large and congregation good as also the Sunday school. Went to Rectory for dinner. A beautiful day. Came home and sat out of doors in a rocking chair for an hour, very warm could have remained much longer, came in and started fire in fireplace of sitting room. Shall write notes for weekly paper to go with sermon and attend evening service at half past six.

## Monday. Mar. 14, 1910

Telephone called me to go to the bank at eleven o'clock for a special meeting of directors. Came back and had dinner, wrote several business letters, telephoned with several of the brethren about going to Manchester, went on seven o'clock electric car, there were some over two-hundred

at Masonic meeting. Frank H. Bachelder, once of Derry, N. H., W. M. of Washington Lodge. There was visitation of Grand Officers and I was invited to attend with my officers, had seat in the cast. Came home on last car, about ten of our lodge present.

### Tuesday, Mar. 15, 1910

After bath dressed and had breakfast, the day bright and clear. Wrote eight letters and mailed them at the door, the carrier is good to attend to all these stamps for accommodation. Went to West Derry in the afternoon. Got my manuscript at printers and copy of Derry Enterprise. Had callers, Coburn and Stevens of Salem trying to sell me stock in silver mine in Mexico. Charles M. Huntee called to talk over work. Mrs. Taylor had a talk about the grandchildren from whom she had letters, they are in Winsor, Vermont.

### Wednesday, Mar. 16, 1910

By telephone heard of the death of Dr. George R. Bennette of Hampstead, funeral to be Masonic at house on Friday at one o'clock lunch to be served. Funeral of the wife of Rev. C. L. Merriam today at 2:30 p. m., large attendance. Chas. A. Sefton sang, several clergymen took part in service, Thayer of Portsmouth, Robertson of Chester, Kellev of Derry, I attended, also Jennie came down and was there. At night I went to church, had part in service and remained to practice anthems for Easter, Good attendance and practice by a dozen or more singers. Came home at ten o'cleck. Good weather barely frosting the top of ground.

#### Thursday, Mar. 17, 1910

Awoke hearing the sound of running water, found the reservoir in bathroom not properly working, the plumber came twice and finally the repair was completed with low supply of water, a little adjustment still

needed. Made some visits about funeral tomorrow at Hampstead and sent and received money, telephone calls about conveyances and finding out who are expected to go to Hampstead, perhaps eight or ten. Wrote some on sermon. The day has been clear and not very cold, as nice as can be expected on St. Patrick's day, much noticed now.

# Friday, Mar. 18, 1910

Wrote on sermon in the morning, at ten o'clock attended to getting together the companions, ten in number, to go to Hampstead. We went in two teams, each with a pair of horses, reached the Congregational church at twelve, had lunch in the kitchen, found eighteen Sir Knights from Portsmouth in uniform and some brethren from Gidion Lodge in Kingston. Attendance of local Masons also for the funeral of Dr. G. R. Bennette. Quartet from Haverhill, services at Burnette house. At home at five

o'clock. Prof. E. R. Angell came in to read ritual with me in the evening, staying until after eleven.

## Saturday, Mar. 19, 1910

Spent all day at home writing, much of the time on sermon, answered several calls on telephone and received several callers on business. Miss Fanny Boyd called me up on telephone for Mrs. Taylor, talked with girl at the Prescotts and with Mrs. Pettee at Dr. Clark's house, all about Ella Eastman, Ella called here later to see Mrs. Taylor, Miss Mary Anderson spent some time here. W. A. Gilbert was in for a moment and Mr. Chase came in to read by the light and fire. The day has been bright, with warm south wind that may bring rain tomorrow.

### Sunday, Mar. 20, 1910

Out of bed at seven, bath, dressed, attend church at eight, breakfast at Rectory, attend the services at ten forty five, remain at Sunday school and teach, dinner at the Rectory. Mr. Haslam goes to Manchester and Merrimack for services. I came home, wrote up notes etc. till night, go to church, conduct it and preach at sixthirty, take supper at Rectory, talk with the family till nine forty, came away dropping sermon and notes at the printing office. Reach home at ten and wrote up diary and prepare for bed having had a busy day, mild weather, etc.

### Monday, Mar. 21, 1910

In looking at the clock from my bed I thought it was half past seven, when it was only half past six, but having started up I continued to take bath and dress, had breakfast, went to church for service at nine thirty then called on Frank Colby at shoe shop and gave him a book of names for Mrs. Colby's aid in finding addresses. Was at bank and at several places for rent. Came home, had

dinner, brought a pile of wood into the shed, read the papers telephoned, and looked over ritual with Mr. Chase after supper, he has just gone to bed.

## Tuesday, Mar. 22, 1910

Arose early, had my breakfast and went over town to church at ninethirty, looked at the Rector's arbor for grape vines that he is building. Came home for dinner, mutton stew. At five heard telephone, found Dr. C. E. Newell could not play tonight, tried to get another organist to accompany Charles A. Sefton, but failed. At night worked Master Mason's degree on Lester W. Russell, Esq. afterward had banquet in town hall, "The Grand Officers were present to inspect the work. Closed at twelve o'clock and came home.

# Wednesday, Mar. 23, 1910

Took bath at seven, dressed and made ready for breakfast, afterwards went to West Derry and attended church service at 9:30 a. m. attendance larger. Came home after making several calls and taking in some rent money. After dinner, called on Lando B. Hardy, and undertook to copy a part in Council for Dr. R. H. Barker. It will be sent him to learn before the visitation in April. I attended church at night, conducted the services and afterwards practiced with the choir, there were over twenty people at service. Came home at ten.

### Thursday, Mar. 24, 1910

After breakfast went over town and attended church at half past nine, then went up on the street, soon came home, heard fire alarm, it called 58, turned out to be fire on Hood's ice houses, near mine, telephones busy, but Jennie could see the fire from the farm and she reported over our two party line which is always

open to one or the other of us. In afternoon I went to cemetery in East Derry. Spent an hour or more looking at changes. The afternoon has been very beautiful and warm, Came home about six, read the Post.

## Friday, Mar. 25, 1910

Attended service at church at half past nine, read morning prayers, Mr. Haslam being in bed with cold. Undertook his work, went to Manchester on the four o'clock car, had supper at the Bailey's with Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey and the Rev. J. P. Conover of Concord, took car for Goffstown at seven, conducted service and preached at quarter before eight, got the quarter past nine car to Manchester, had to wait till eleven for car to Derry, reached Derry at quarter to twelve and home about quarter past. Heard frogs in meadow as I came home.

## Saturday, Mar. 26, 1910

Spent all the day at home, or practically so, being engaged steadily with short rests in the composition of a sermon. The sermon had not been begun any farther than selecting a text and putting the blank pages in order for writing. I heard from Mrs. MacGregor several times by telephone and once from Greville Haslam in reference to services tomorrow. I finished the sermon about five o'clock, read it aloud, made more nunctuations and afterwards read the papers a little "Church Times". Shall try to go to bed earlier than last night. A little cooler.

## Sunday, Mar. 27, 1910

Arose at 6:45, took bath, dressed, and went to West Derry, gave celebration of the holy communion to the church at 8 a. m., took breakfast with Mrs. Haslam and her four sons, conducted the next service, celebrated holy communion and preached at

10:45 a. m., attended Sunday school and conducted Bible Class, took dinner at the Rectory, Mrs. Haslam and four sons, Mrs. Packer, Louis and Eugene making nine at table. Came home, Louis Packer and a boy with me, he went away at five. I attended evening service at 6:30 p. m. and had tea at the Rectory and returned home at eleven, frogs peeping in meadows.

### Monday. Mar. 28, 1910

Up at half past seven, bright day. After getting breakfast out of the way, I went to West Derry, made calls on tenants, mostly without benefit, took note of one party and turned it in at bank for thirty days, fifty dollars. Came home, attended to dinner and grocery men, went up to store for lemons, ate a whole lemon excepting the peel, lemon often clears the tongue and taste. Brent Haslam brought over my two Easter lilies, from church decorations of yesterday, also my dress suit case

with my vestments etc. Telephoned with Jennie several times in course of the day.

## Tuesday, Mar. 29, 1910

Up at seven o'clock, took usual course of preparation for the day. After breakfast telephoned and engaged Holmes and Wheeler to move some wood at the farm, they gave Jennie two loads and will bring my share tomorrow. I gave John Harvey Goodrich one of my Easter lilies. He is 75 years old, the other I gave to Mrs. Etta L. Gilman, I went to the Bamptons and signed appraisers inventory with John C. Chase, G. W. Bingham, Edward F. Adams, and Lester W. Russell, attorneys, George Bampton and his mother-in-law showed the estate about one hundred and twenty five thousand dollars valuation.

#### Wednesday, Mar. 30, 1910

Started rather early, the sun shining into my room awakened me before six o'clock, after breakfast read the morning papers. Two double teams came into the vard with wood from the farm and threw it off, I carried half of it into the shed. After dinner I went to town and made some calls, got my manuscript and interest from Pettingill. Dexter Ring cut another big elm tree. I don't like to see the big elms taken down, but they are bad for the soil, sapping it for a hundred feet around. Heard from Jennie several times. Met Mr. MacGregor over town. Fanny Belle Pinkerton is visiting in the village.

### Thursday, Mar. 31, 1910

After breakfast I carried in all the wood that they brought down from the farm. Solid white oak, not all cut into stove lengths, but none longer than two or three stove lengths. In the afternoon I went to

West Derry and turned over for collection, the rents of three house to a man who makes a business of selling, renting, collecting etc. Fred Moore and I walked on up to the farm, and out into the grove to see the condition of some very old trees. Talked with Mrs. MacGregor and looked at her new paper and paint for an hour, then came home in time for supper, read evening papers.

# Friday, April 1, 1910

Arranged to meet Jennie at depot, we went by steam cars to Lawrence, Mrs. Calvin Bradford with us, we took dinner across street from waiting room. Mrs. Bradford then went to Lowell and Jennie and I went by trolley to 127 Berkley st., found Mr. Geo. E. Chickering, he showed us the Otis Chickering personal property, we looked it over. I bought 17 silver spoons and a mahogany bureau, paid \$25. We then attended a scenic theatre and went for supper, soon

Mrs. Bradford came walking in and we three had supper together and took six o'clock car for Derry. I got home about seven o'clock, heard from Jennie at her home, safe.

# Saturday, April 2, 1910

Telephone last night from Rev. Dr. White asking me to take services for him tomorrow. Holy communion and sermon at Wilton at 10:45 a. m. Evening Prayer and sermon at Milford at 6:30 p. m. Stay at the Endicott from Saturday night until Sunday night or Monday morning, a team to call for me on Sunday morning to take me from the hotel to Wilton. May see the Proctors, Mr. Chase goes away also, he is on the way to Atlanta, Georgia for three weeks or so. I shall leave here on the two o'clock electric trolley to Manchester and thence to Milford.

## Sunday, April 3, 1910

Arrived at the Endicott House about five o'clock by way of Nashua and Milford, had supper and lodged there last night, breakfast at half past seven. Just about ten o'clock the same man. Boucher came with team and drove to Wilton in thirty minutes I gave holy communion to seven teen, preached, and returned to Milford for dinner at Endicott House. Had not seen the Proctors, Had tea at six and gave evening service and preached at half past six o'clock. Rather large congregation, many of my Masonic friends were present, probably on my account in some small degree.

### Monday, April 4, 1910

Had breakfast at the Endicott House at seven, came into Nashua from Milford and called on Col. Dana W. King and his son, W. D. King. Found Judge Holden there and another Holden, his brother probably, left Nashua about quarter past eleven by electric cars to Goffs Falls, changed and by trolley from Manchester, reached Derry at half past twelve, made a call on one of my tenants, and then home about one o'clock. Jennie soon called me up on the telephone to find out if I had arrived.

### Tuesday, April 5, 1910

The thermometer marked 82 degrees above in the shade about all day, I rode around with John W. Anderson, collected some rents and deposited, also signed director's report at the bank. Went to town again, in the afternoon, called on Rev. Geo. E. Haslam, got my sermon from office printed as usual in Derry Enterprise, only lacks two weeks of being three years weekly publication of sermons, Called on Chas. M. Huntee. Telephoned with Jennie, heard from George E. Chickering, that the tea set is Brittania, shall go to Lawrence to see more of Otis things in storage.

### Wednesday, April 6, 1910

Another fine day, the summer birds are singing in full force. I started writing on a new sermon and managed to complete about sixteen pages telephoned with Jennie several times, she is having papering done. Telephoned with Rand about work in Chapter. Hardy called and asked me to go and rehearse parts of Council work for tomorrow night. Spent the evening at the hall practicing. Came home with Arthur M. Emery and sat an hour talking over lodge matters with him, about ready for bed at quarter past eleven.

### Thursday, April 7, 1910

Another good day. After dinner I took a car and went with Jennie to East Derry and attended a meeting of West Rockingham Pomona Grange after that we walked through the cemetery, then came back by car. I went into the Goodrich's to see Millie Trow, whom I had not seen since I

was at her wedding fourteen years ago. She has four children and looks fine. At night attended the visitation of Council and worked S. E. M. degree. Was highly complemented by R. Ill. D. M. C. W. Bickford, we had a banquet at Hildreth Hall.

#### Friday, April 8, 1910

Just a little rain is falling. Finished my sermon and read it over and made some corrections and points. Telephoned with Jennie several times and with the Haslams, we are to go to the Rectory for tea. I went over about half past five. Mr. and Mrs. MacGregor arrived very shortly in a hack. We began a concert, Mr. MacGregor had his flute and Greville Haslam had a flute and I played the piano and sang all the old songs and common music. We had tea with the six Haslams, and after refreshments came home.

#### Saturday, April 9, 1910

Rather cooler today. I went over town in the forenoon and made a few calls of a business nature, came home and cooked beefsteak and potatoes. Called on Charles M. Hunter, who is confined to his house with the grip. I wrote George Chickering that Mr. Haslam and I would go to Lawrence on Wednesday afternoon, probably. Rev. Lucian H. Adams called in the evening and sat and talked half an hour, afterwards I played and sang some music Russell sent me today, and then read my sermon over again. I am going to bed rather early.

### Sunday, April 10, 1910

About 7:50 a.m. when I got up and dressed after the usual ablutions, had breakfast, went to church, Mr. Haslam did not feel equal to preaching and I gave the sermon, was at opening of Sunday school. Took dinner at Rectory, went to the city and held service at three p. m. and gave the

same sermon, came back to Derry, had tea at six, and attended evening service, 6:30, then had supper with the Rector and his family, sat and talked until 10:30, came home, reaching here at eleven. Am ready to go to bed and sleep.

### Monday, April 11, 1910

Went over town after ten o'clock. called on the tenants and went to banks. Had dinner at home, talked with several people, telephoned with several, went to the farm at six o'clock, for tea and to stay all night. Mr. MacGregor was in Nashua gathering up his tools and moving everything of value to Derry. He will use a shop near the Electric plant at Horne's pond. I read a letter to Jennie written by Otis in 1907 and left unfinished among his papers, it shows his state of mind and complaints at that time. Slightly cooler weather.

### Tuesday, April 12, 1910

Breakfast at the farm, looked over the spring buds and shoots in the flower garden, came home at half past nine, spent the day reading a little, writing a little, studying ritual a little, till about four o'clock, then played and sang half an hour and started for the farm, loitered along the fields I crossed and reached the farm in time for supper, had a newly cooked boiled dish, cabbage, pork, beef, turnips, potatoes and beets. Went to bed rather early for me, about half past eight.

## Wednesday, April 13, 1910

Breakfast with Jennie, looked over more spring buds and shoots, and started for home, here at half past nine, read the morning papers and prepared to go to Lawrence at noon. Rev. George Haslam and I took dinner across the street from waiting room in Lawrence, then went to 127

Berkeley street to George E. Chickering's, bought some of Otis' things, thence by car to Andover, visited the Chickering house on Essex street, the family lot in cemetery, went to Seminary hill, looked up Phillips Inn, came back to Lawrence and Derry, attended church and came home.

# Thursday, April 14, 1910

Went over town after breakfast. turned three tenants in Abbott house to agent to look after. Got three applications to Chapter in afternoon, got two more at night. Met in Chapter R. A. M. and received Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Sinclair, and suite for visitation, worked the Past Master's degree on Fred W. Powell, heard report of the Chapter, afterwards repaired to Hildreth Hall. where Mr. Knight served us a chicken supper and all the fixings. Broke up at quarter past eleven, and came home, attendance about twenty-seven good entertainment.

## Friday, April 15, 1910

Remained at home most of the day, had some callers, telephoned some, and wrote a few pages on sermon, learned a charge for entered apprentices, walked up by the meadows, had rather quiet time in spite of plenty of telephone calls. I must do some more writing and find who is coming east this summer. I played and sang about an hour from half past eight to half past nine, had fire in the open hearth during the evening, only the day has not been cold. Some people have peas up above the ground now.

## Saturday, April 16, 1910

I applied my time about all day, writing and finishing my sermon, punctuating and reading ft aloud to myself or Mrs. Taylor for comment. Mrs. Charles Tewksbury used up my time in the forenoon, talking about redeeming the place on which she and her family lives, after she went

away other interruptions occurred, telephoning and getting meals and memorizing ritual. I had a fire in the sitting room in the evening and had one or two callers. G. W. Brown was here a while and W. A. Gilbert, finally went to bed about eleven o'clock.

# Sunday, April 17, 1910

Arose about half past six, took bath. dressed, ate some apples, went to car at eight o'clock, thence to Manchester and Goffstown, gave morning prayer and preached at 10:45 a.m. Came back to Manchester, had dinner at restaurant on Elm street, thence to East Manchester, gave evening prayer, and preached at 3 p.m. Came back to Derry, had tea at Rectory, took part in service at 6:30 p.m., then had supper with family in Rectory. afterwards talked with Mr. Haslam until ten o'clock, and came home, to retire soon.

## Monday, April 18, 1910

Rather late rising, bathe and dress, get breakfast and clear up the dishes. It is raining with promise of a couple of wet days, felt rather dulf and not inclined to work, cut a little fire wood. Rev. Mr. Haslam came in after dinner, said he would come again at supper time, had rump steak, salad of fish and lettuce with Iemon and dressing, cake and cherries, tea and milk. He spent the evening and just gone home at ten o'clock. Still raining lightly mostly a mist and damp heavy atmosphere.

# Tuesday, April 19, 1910

Went over town in the morning to meet with Rev. Mr. Haslam and Mrs. Packer and attend to a note at the bank, paying interest and reducing the principal, a debt on the Rectory etc. Came home, ate lightly, dressed more carefully and attended Harold Abbott's funeral at the Central church, full church, came home, pre-

pared for the evening, went to St. Mark's lodge at 7:30 p. m., opened and worked E. A. degree on Clinton C. Allison, closed in due and ancient form and am at home at quarter past ten. Attendance not large. A little rain falling. Ready for refreshments.

## Wednesday, April 20, 1910

Bathe and dress at 7:30, breakfast and clear away, attended to mail and reading 16 page Manchester Daily Union, rather pretentious in size for New Hampshire. R. W. Pillsbury. proprietor is making good with it. telephoned with Jennie about going to Eastern Star tonight. Mrs. L. B. Hardy called to arrange about special car for village. At five o'clock dressed and went to Rectory and declined supper or excused myself to Mrs. Haslam, for banquet at seven of the O. E. Star, there were about a hundred present, Jennie came down, we came away at ten o'clock.

## Thursday, April 21, 1910

Wrote fifteen pages on new sermon in the forenoon Dr. James O. Harriman called and I signed his application for the A. & A. S. R. 32nd degree at Nashua, Afternoon went to the Rectory, thence with the Rev. George Haslam to the farm, had tea with Mr. and Mrs. MacGregor and spent an hour in conversation. Telephoned with Eugene L. Campbell. who called me. I came home at nine. found Mr. Campbell at his brother's. Pliny M. Campbell, he came in, paid me six months interest on his house. also signed petition to be a mason in our lodge, we talked an hour.

# Friday, April 22, 1910

Spent part of the day finishing my sermon, read it over to Mrs. Taylor, who approved, etc. Went to town in the afternoon to ask the jeweler if my tea set is valuable. J. W. Babbitt says it is the very best silver, hollow

plated ware of "Reid & Barton." I am glad it was not left to be sold for a trifle. I gave five dollars for teapot, water pot, creamer and sugar bowl, formerly the property of uncle Jacob Chickering of Andover, Mass. The cone has sterling silver tip to handle, and I am glad I saved that. The day is damp.

## Saturday, April 23, 1910

Took bath at 7:15 a. m. dressed and prepared breakfast, read the mail, read and corrected my sermon, had delivered for my grounds some shrubs, forsythea, Japan quince, and honeysuckle, after dinner went to town, collected some rent, went on to the farm and paid Jennie eighteen dollars on account of interest on the Campbell mortgage at Londonderry, came back by way of town, bringing two pies, custard and squash, nad supper at home. Mr. Chase came in and we looked over the things I bought of the Otis Chickering estate.

## Sunday, April 24, 1910

Bath, dress and have breakfast, attend church, conduct service and preach at 10:45 a. m. Attend the Sunday school and teach a class of boys, at 12:15 p. m. take dinner at Rectory, go to Manchester at 2 p. m. conduct service and preach at East Manchester at 3 p. m. return to Derry, have tea at six o'clock, conduct service and preach at 6:30 p. m. have supper at Rectory with Rev. Haslam and family at nine o'clock, sit and talk with him until half past ten. and start for home, reach here at eleven write up the day's work and return in peace and good will to all men.

## Monday, April 25, 1910

Mr. Haslam came over in the forenoon and was here for dinner, after dinner he helped me dig some holes and set out a forsythea, a Japan quince and a shrub honeysuckle, and trim my mulberries, then we telephoned to the Chase factory and found Charles B. Chase who sail he would play 500 in the evening, so Mr. Haslam remained for tea and we played until eleven o'clock. The evening is wet. C. W. Abbott called in the afternoon to talk about selling me his land at Burnham place.

## Tuesday, April 26, 1910

Showers of rain from early morning till late at night. Abbott telephoned and we decided not to go to the Burnham farm today. Jennie telephoned that the rain dripped through the new cupolo not quite finished. I wrote twenty-five pages on my new sermon. Got the three numbers of the Derry Enterprise with last Sunday's printed discourse, well set up. Chase came in and showed me a cone that his brother brought him from the Island of Trinidad a month ago. Rain falling now outside making noise.

#### Wednesday, April 27, 1910

Up at seven o'clock. After breakfast wrote on sermon and finished it. Started for Nashua at twelve o'clock, reached there at quarter past one, had lunch at cafe opposite Masonic hall, attended meeting of lodge of Perfection at 2:30 p. m., saw 14th degree worked finely on 16 candidates. 15th degree and 16th degree comunicated, had supper in banquet hall at six, saw 18th degree conferred in full form, beautiful work, went home to Rectory with Rev. Wm. Porter Niles and was his guest for the night, the day was bright and fine, but there was steam heat in the building all day.

## Thursday, April 28, 1910

Bath at Rectory and breakfast at 8 o'clock, called on Daniel Gage, and wife, son, son-in-law and two grand-children. The wife was May Marsh, whom I knew in 1863 when I taught

school in Hudson and boarded around called on Dana W. King, his son, W. D. King, met again at their house. Mortier L. Morrison of Peterboro, called on Andrew J. Tuck, whom I knew at Dartmouth College in 1865-8. Attended Consistory and saw the 20th degree worked by Manchester men mainly. Had lunch in banquet hall at six and afterward, saw the 32nd degree worked in full form. Came home on late car, here at eleven.

# Friday, April 29, 1910

Mr. Haslam and two sons came here in the forenoon and began digging up my back yard for a garden. They were here for dinner and I provided as well as I could without going to the market, tomato soup, salt pork and eggs, potatoes, bread, butter, custard pie, coffee and milk They worked all the afternoon, going away about half past five. Arthur M. Thomson an agent for 20 vol. set

of historical works called and I subscribed for a set in buckram at \$41 payable monthly. Mr. Chase came in to sit a while in the evening. Am going early to bed.

# Saturday, April 30, 1910

In the morning I was at home, in the afternoon went to depot and thence to the farm to see the new cupolo on the house, went up into it and looked out over the country. Jennie is pleased to look at it. Came back by the stores and brought some bread and pies and cake. The afternoon was clear and warm after the rains, and the grass very green. Halley's comet is said to be visible to the naked eye about three o'clock in the morning, near the planet Venus in the east.

# Sunday, May, 1, 1910

Began to look for Jerome, he did not come at 9:45. Went to church, the Rev. Henry Harrison Haynes and wife were present at 10:45 and received communion. I had dinner at Rectory. Jerome, wife and daughter came from Manchester at 12:30. Had dinner at Hotel Bradford, hired a team, came to me at home at about 3 p. m., then went to Mr. Charles McGregor's, came back, had cake, pie, and bread and butter and took five o'clock train for Boston. I went to church at 6:30 p. m. and preached, had supper at Rectory with the family and Louis M. Packer, came away about half past ten.

# Monday, May 2, 1910

Mr. Haslam and boys worked on the garden, he was here for dinner. In the afternoon I went to town and attended two bank meetings, the general report was good for the bank but it is thought best not to loan more money at present, and the opinion is expressed that there will be a democratic Congress at Washington and attempt to reform the tariff which will create uneasiness. Mr. Haslam was here at night. Mr. Chase, he and I, played 500 till midnight and past, very dark night and foggy and damp.

## Tuesday, May 3, 1910

After dressing, started to build up the kitchen fire, and was reminded by Mrs. Taylor that this is the morning for the May breakfast at hall, I went there, found Mr. and Mrs. Mc-Gregor there. We had breakfast there and came down here for an hour. Jennie then went to call on the Folsoms. I went to town, met her again and we went to Mr. McGregor's studio and looked at his crayon pictures, quite interesting, I came home after being at the bank for a while, cooked rump steak for supper at six, spent the evening reading and talking with Mr. Chase.

## Wednesday, May 4, 1910

C. W. Abbott called me on telephone at eight, we decided not to go to look at Burnham land in the foremoon on account of wet grass. He called me up again at one o'clock, we still deferred the trip for rain, Two agents, Ward and Wallace, called and tried to sell me electric bonds. Two Haslam boys were here and worked in the garden till rain forced them in doors. Jennie telephoned a few times. I wrote five pages on sermon. All meals at home today and did not go abroad, not even to attend evening service at the church.

# Thursday, May 5, 1910

Another damp day, I tried to look for Halley's' comet in the night, it was obscured with clouds. Wrote on sermon about fifteen pages, telephoned with Senator C. W. Abbott again deferring the trip to woodland in East Derry. At night attended the Council, doing some of the work of minor officers and acting as Chaplain opening and closing, the degree of Royal Master was worked on Mathew Edson Odell, this is my first night in four years that I have not had the principal burden of the work to do. I have served well and shall have a jewel in remembrance.

#### Friday, May 6, 1910

Telephone from Abbott agreement to meet him on two o'clock car for East Derry. My sermon finished at noon, at two o'clock joined the Senator on electric car and went to the Burnham farm, walked all around the premises I sold to him seven years ago, and cut off, I finally agreed to pay him two hundred and seventy five dollars for about fifty acres of land and we came home, the deed will be made out at once, and transaction concluded with perfect satisfaction.

#### Saturday, May 7, 1910

Collected interest and twenty five dollars on principal in one place, twenty four dollars interest on Town note and four dollars on rent and two dollars on loan. My jewel of the Council is much admired. Met Jennie at Memorial hall, she was getting interest. I saw notice of assignment of Perkins & Hardy liabilities \$600,000. Edward VII. king of Great Britain died last night about eleven. His son succeeds him as George V. Halley's comet reported as visible in the early morning and approaching the sun.

#### Sunday, May 8, 1910

Attended church, read service and preached at 10:45 a.m., eleven in vested choir, good singing. Was present at Sunday school and took part in service. Had lunch at Rectory, a young Tyson girl named Beatrice was there to lunch, came home, tele-

phoned with Jennie also with Mrs. Prescott and Ella Eastman. Attended evening service at 6:30, assisted in service. Mr. Haslam preached on death of Edward VII. Afterward had supper at Rectory with the minister and family. Came home at ten o'clock with Seavey of Pelham.

# Monday, May 9, 1910

Drizzling rain and streets wet. I went to bank and stores over town in the morning, heard considerable comment on the Frank A. Hardy assignment, liabilities \$600,000.00, assets \$500,000.00 Halley's comet, King Edward VII died and failures all around. Cooked chicken soup, had sardines with lemon, rumpsteak. potatoes, bread, butter, apple pie and coffee for supper and Rev. Mr. Haslam was here. Mr. Chase joined us afterwards for a game of 500, closed at eleven o'clock.

# Tuesday, May 10, 1910

Bright and clear, telephone announced a call from Mr. Tyrril, he came with team, wanted accommodation at the bank for small renewal of note. I went to bank with him. Letter announced the coming of Jerome's wife and two children next Saturday. I must make arrangements for them. Talked with W. B. Hardy about M. M. M. degree next Thursday, also with C. P. Upton and others. Haslam boys here digging in the garden this afternoon. I cut some lawn grass and put out the swing and settee.

# Wednesday, May 11, 1910

Wrote ten pages on a new sermon, cut some more lawn grass, entertained Mr. Haslam, telephoned many times in answer to calls, answered census enumerator upon the telephone through Jennie, found Duffy was there painting tower to the house. Haslam boys dug up more gar-

den for me. Mr. Haslam looked over my canna bulbs and dahlias, prepared them for setting, saw Dr. Newell about taking degree in Chapter next meeting, expect to have five candidates. Mr. Chase came in to read story of J. Rufus Wallingford in magazine.

## Thursday, May 12, 1910

After bath and breakfast read morning mail and wrote on sermon, after dinner wrote more and finished sermon, read it over and went to West Derry. Came back, and read the sermon again aloud to Mrs. Taylor. Begged off on going to Goffstown to preach next Sunday on account of the coming of Mabel and the children. After supper went to Chapter R. A. M. and ballotted for 5 candidates, all got in. Worked the degree of M. M. M. on two of them, came home at half past eleven, ready for bed pretty soon now.

## Friday, May 13, 1910

Not very warm today, but mostly clear, cut some grass on lawn, was at depot in the morning. Meals at home. Attended Chapter meeting at night and worked M. M. M. degree on three candidates, this is the last convocation of the year. Brought home jewels to wear at Concord at the Grand Lodge, etc. I expect to see Mabel and children tomorrow about quarter past four o'clock, have not heard of any service on Sunday requiring my new sermon, there may be call to go to Manchester and Goffstown.

# Saturday, May 14, 1910

Went to town in the morning and called on the Davises, O'Haras and the bank, found a letter with interest from Dr. E. J. Moody, two notes from Rev. Mrs. Haslam about services. I am going to preach in Goffstown, and Manchester tomorrow. Went to town again at four o'clock, found Mabel and two children at station

when train arrived, came home with them and made them comfortable as possible under the circumstances. Had tea with them and spent the evening talking over the plans for summer here with all the family.

# Sunday, May 15, 1910

Arose at 6:30, took bath and dress ed, ate bananas, went to depot, took 8 o'clock car for Manchester, had breakfast with Rev. and Mrs. Bailey, went to Goffstown, had service and preached 10:45, came back to Manchester, had dinner, spent an hour with Mr. Harry Scott and family conducted service and preached at 3 p. m., came back to Derry 5:30, took tea with Mrs. Haslam at the Rectory. talked with Mr. Haslam, came home at 6:30. Mabel had been here with the two children all day, got her three meals here in good shape, and things looked bright when I arrived, wrote up my diary and go to bed.

#### Monday, May 16, 1910

Bright clear morning, had breakfast with Mabel and the children, good, strong, healthy children, went away on the 12 o'clock care to Londonderry with Mrs. McGregor. We called for an hour at David Perkins, visited with all the cousins. I went on to Concord and was in attendance at the Grand Council R. and S. M., was shown some honors, had banquet at six, elaborate spread. Came down to Manchester at 8:30 and on to Derry, reaching station at 9:30 and home before 10 o'clock, had a good day, the night rather chilly.

## Tuesday, May 17, 1910

Dressed and went to depot, took 8 o'clock car for Manchester, waited there 50 minutes, took car for Concord, attended opening of Concord Royal Arch Chapter, heard address and helped to elect officers for the year, attended banquet at one o'clock, took the 2:07 car for Manchester,

there waited for car till quarter of four, came to Derry at 4:30, made some purchases, cake, strawberries, cheese, lemons, came home, had supper with Mabel and children, read evening papers and am thinking of bed rather early, the day has been fair and beautiful.

## Wednesday, May 18, 1910

Arose at seven, took bath and dressed, ate a banana and went to the depot, took eight o'clock car for Concord, some delay in getting through. Attended opening of Concord lodge, heard address of Grand Master Sawyer of Milford, N. H. D. J. Flanders, Grand Master of Manchester was there. Lodge attendance over three hundred Masons. Banquet in hall at one o'clock. Good service. Came away at 2:07 in automobile. Beat the car to Suncook by ten minutes, took the car and came home. Cake at Rectory. home for tea with Mabel and the children.

#### Thursday, May 19, 1910

About seven dressed and prepared breakfast without calling upon Mabel who had her hands full with dressing the two children. Went to town, to bank and stores, bought stuff for dinner, Mabel on hand to cook meat and other things for dinner. The day is fine, Mabel and children sat out doors in shade of Maple. No indications of comet, none reported in papers. Mabel and daughter walked to depot and back this afternoon, Mrs. George Pettee going with them. Tonight Mabel has gone to the pond on electrics, first night perhaps of the season for opening.

## Friday, May 20, 1910

Another clear day, I went to town in the morning and saw several brethren about degrees in Chapter. Bought provisions and came home. I had also a mesh bag of silver for Mabel, came through express from Jerome. Halibut for dinner. Mrs.

Haslam called with the two Mrs. Tysons, driving, all came in. Attended Chapter at night and worked P. M. degree on five candidates, Sefton, Moore, Angel, Russell and Newell. Have 2 teams now. Came home soon after ten o'clock, talked with Mabel till bed time.

#### Saturday, May 21, 1910

Another fine day after the showers cooler. I finished sermon last night, read it aloud to Mrs. Taylor, Mabel and children today. Went over town in the morning, got provisions, a basket full to last over Sunday. We seem to be living like an ordinary household with children. Paid for printing and recovered sermon of last week, running the weekly sermon into the fourth year of printing. Spent a little time with the Hon. John G. Crawford today at his own request as heard from three men on the street.

#### Sunday, May 22, 1910

Breakfast with Mabel and the children and attend church, taking part in the services, after took part in baptism of four children. Came home and had dinner with Mabel and the two children, read a little, wrote up notes for paper, the others went out for a stroll and to make a call. In the evening I went to church again, conducted the service and preached, attendance very good. Came home at nine o'clock, looked over some of uncle Paul's diaries dating back as early as 1840 and perhaps earlier, some of them quite full.

# Monday, May 23, 1910

The day has been partly fair and partly cloudy. I went to town in the forenoon, made several calls without accomplishing anything. Paid some bills, bought provisions, came home for dinner. At tea the Rev. George Haslam came and afterward we had a four handed game of five hundred

between Mr. Chase and Mabel on one side and Mr. Haslam and I on the other. Mr. Eugene D. Campbell called and paid me \$25 on petition. I got Charles M. Huntee and Pliny M. Campbell to sign the paper. The Rev. Mr. Haslam went away at eleven o'clock and the rest of us are going to bed.

## Tuesday, May 24, 1910

The day has been warm, about 80 degrees above and rather sultry or humid. I went to depot and attended to some business at the bank and bought provisions for the house. Came home in time to have dinner, finding it already on the table, Mabel having made ready promptly at noon. Spent the evening at lodge working the F. C. degree on Mr. Clinton C. Allison. There were two visitors, Rev. Charles Tilton and a Mr. Johnson. The work went off very well and was appreciated by the visitors very much Home at ten o'clock.

#### Wednesday, May 25, 1910

The day has been wet, no fire needed in sitting room. Mabel and Miriam went to George Pettee's for tea to celebrate the 32nd year of his birth with cake and ice cream. Mrs. Pettee came back with them a few minutes ago and is here now. I talked with Mr. Chase a while about the work of the Commandery at Manchester last night. Over two hundred were present at visitation. I am looking up my work here for next Friday night in M. E. M. degree with six candidates. Wrote sermon for next Sunday, will need two sermons or more.

## Thursday, May 26, 1910

Have been about home all day. Sharpened my lawn mower and made a clean shave on my lawn, the best I have made so far this season. All meals at home, Mabel helping to get things ready and sometimes washing up dishes and bottles which contain

milk. We use two and a half quarts of new milk every day. The sky is clear and Halley's' comet for the first time is visible. It is just like all the other comets I have seen in my life time. Mabel and children in good condition.

#### Friday, May 27, 1910

After breakfast went to town and attended to considerable business and bought provisions, came home for dinner. Mabel and children at dinner. Automobile brought a party of six from Nashua to call upon Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Hood also called and took Mrs. Taylor to town and around Mrs. Gardner, who came from Nashua is a churchwoman, also her son at Holderness and daughter in High School, attended Chapter meeting and worked 5 candidates in M. E. M. degree. Newell, Moore, Sefton, Angell and Powell. Russell was sick and in bed at night and lost the work.

## Saturday, May 28, 1910

Spent much of the day on writing my sermon. Went over town about five o'clock, bought provisions for Sunday and Monday, both, as the latter is a holiday. A. W. Gilbert called in the evening and paid me on account three dollars. Josephine Bradford met me on the street and we chatted a while. She is a trifle older than I. We went to town school together nearly if not quite sixty years ago. Met Mrs. Col. Lee and had a long talk with her about her lawsuit with Sen. C. W. Abbott. Must point sermon, read, and go to bed soon.

## Sunday, May 29, 1910

After breakfast went to church, conducted service, full vested choir and preached at 10:45 a.m. Remained for Sunday school, had dinner at the Rectory, took 2 o'clock car for Manchester, conducted service and preached at Mission 3 p.m. Came

away 4:45 car, had tea at Rectory, conducted service and preached at 7 p. m. Came home took out my telescope and looked at comet for half an hour, think of looking at one here once before since I came to this house a very small one, about the time of the Cuban war.

## Monday, May 30, 1910

Cloudy about all day, no rain. A little fire needed in house to be comfortable. Jennie and her husband went to Pelham at noon. I have not heard any report. Presume Mr. MacGregor gave his address. There were addresses at town hall in East Derry. Mr. Chase came home from Boston today, he went down Saturday morning. Mabel spends some of her time reading and some at friends in the village when she gets the children tucked in their beds for the night. They look perfectly healthy and strong, red cheeks and lips.

#### Tuesday, May 31, 1910

Bath at seven, breakfast at eight, attended to mail, went to town. bought a full basket of provisions. Came home at half past eleven. Umbrella and rubbers needed. The basket hung down and needed frequent shifts. After dinner called on Hardy. I shall probably take his work on Thursday as he is not able to do it himself. He has the grip or a persistent cold and fever. The sun came out at six o'clock and there was a double rainbow. The wind is around in the West so we may get fair weather tomorrow. Little fire in sitting room this evening for comfort.

# Wednesday, June 1, 1910

Went over town in the morning, bought a basket full of house provisions, came home for dinner about three in the afternoon, went over again, secured \$25 of Mr. Pinkham on rent, went on up the woodroad to the farm, saw Mr. and Mrs. MacGreg-

or. Jennie paid me some money for hay. Spent some time looking at her new tower and the outlook from the top of the house. Came back to town got meat and came on to village, had tea with Mabel and children. Little fire in sitting room to remove dampness.

## Thursday, June 2, 1910

Went to town in the morning, to bank and stores and to the Rectory. Told Mr. Haslam that he was expected to attend a funeral in Nashua. Met Warren P. Horne, made an appointment with him to meet at Folsom's corner after dinner and go to our land at Scoby pond which we did and walked around the pond, came back at six o'clock, After supper attended Mt. Nebo Council R. and S. M. I worked the S. M. degree on M. E. Odell with a good suite of officers. Home again at ten o'clock. Talked a while with Mabel. She has gone to bed and I am reading a little for an hour.

## Friday, June 3, 1910

Warmer weather. I went to town, heard of the death of Hiram C. Mathews, age 93 year, 5 months, wanted a Masonic funeral, his request will be granted. Came home for dinner. Mrs. Taylor went to city, met her two granddaughters from Winsor, Vt. and returned with them, they are here for the present, Elizabeth and Judith Hemenway, daughters of Rev. Miles Standish Hemenway, Mabel and the children are doing finely and the days go rapidly. I cannot get started on this week's sermon. Perhaps I may have spunk to tackle the job tomorrow, but things are crowding about.

# Saturday, June 4, 1910

Spent the morning in town calling on Masons to attend the funeral of our brother, Hiram Matthew tomorrow. The 2 Hemenway girls got their trunk today and change of dress. Ed Adams and Miss Carrie Pullen called, also Ben Adams in his automobile, they brought Mabel and little Miriam home. I finished my sermon last night, writing the whole 36 pages between ten o'clock and one, it is about the same quality as many that require all day or several days for writing. I cut my lawn today, it looks smooth. The day has been fine.

## Sunday, June 5, 1910

Up at seven o'clock, bath and breakfast. Went to church and took part in celebration at 10:45 A. M. Came home, had dinner with Mabel and the two children, went to Masonic hall, opened the lodge, took aprons and gloves and lights etc., went on car to depot, formed procession of Masons, went to the late home of brother Hiram C. Matthews, held Masonic service, about forty six Masons in ranks escort to grave at East Derry Forest hill cemetery, held

service and returned by special car. Closed lodge, attended church at 7 p. m. Took supper at Rectory, came home.

## Monday, June 6, 1910

More rain today, breakfast with family. In afternoon went to town, attended two meetings at the bank, directors meeting 3:30 and trustees at 4 p. m. There was not a quorum at either of the meetings afterward bought some things for table. Madden here twice about payment on his Clark place, he is always short, has a large family. Miss Emily Hall was here today, she wants to leave her clock here and a table, eight day hall clock. Rev. Mr. Haslam came in the evening, talked with Misses Hemenway and the rest of us.

### Tuesday, June 7, 1910

Showers from time to time all day and the ground too wet to work in garden. I was at home for all meals. After tea took the Misses Elizabeth and Judith Hemenway to lawn party in Boyd's grove, the attendance was large and sales good. Richard's band furnished the music, a Miss Marston played solo on cornet. Ice cream, sherberts, packages of useful things sold with Rev. C. H. Martin there and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Tyson. Came away soon after nine and was at home before ten o'clock. Rather cool. Saw the comet.

### Wednesday, June 8, 1910

Up at seven, took bath, prepare for breakfast, first Miriam appears then her mother and the baby, looking fresh and fine. The day is very lovely. Went to town for things, among others, fertilizers. After dinner Mr. Haslam came and he, with the two girls, Elizabeth and Judith, planted the garden, all sorts of seeds etc. After this came Miss Parker of Cambridge for a few hours, and Ed Adams and Miss Carrie Pullen, they went to

Boston on the five o'clock passenger cars. A little fire seems good tonight, and now Mabel has gone to bed and I am writing.

## Thursday, June 9, 1910

About seven o'clock stirring, breakfast at eight, went to town for provisions, fine morning. Spent some time in going to see the repairs on monument in Forest hill. The stone has been reset, incased in cement over the entire obverse side. The stone stands on cement base now. It is to the memory of one Doctor Philip Godfrey Kast, who died Sept. 6th, 17—. Many Masonic emblems on the stone, but nobody knows who he was and what became of the widow and children.

# Friday, June 10, 1910

It has rained all day and is raining now at half past nine. Nothing of importance has been accomplished. Some reading, little else. Mary Sefton was here and played with the Hemenways, they sang, and played on the pianos, Mrs. Taylor's and mine. Miriam bumped down some of the back stairs and cried considerably, could not discover more than bruises. Storekeepers here and laundry team with cleaned clothes. Jennie telephoned often. The day has passed rather quietly for all of us. Wrote a few letters and paid some checks.

## Saturday, June 11, 1910

Went over town in the morning, umbrella over coat and rubbers on, bought provisions for two days. In the afternoon wrote on sermon. Miriam Pullin came on the express and was here for tea, she is a good performer on the piano. She and Mabel went over town in the evening to attend the Scenic Theatre. The two Hemenway girls are here yet and the house is lively with music and talk. Mr. Chase came in for a little while.

Jennie telephoned twice. I have just finished the sermon at twelve o'clock. The rain has continued all day as yesterday.

## Sunday, June 12, 1910

Up at seven o'clock, breakfast at eight, went to church at 10:45 a. m., conducted service and preached from the epistle, remained at opening of Sunday school, Came home for dinner with Mabel, her sister Miriam, little Miriam and Lawrence. In afternoon had concert and sang all the old tunes, Miriam playing them on the piano. Attended evening services at 7 p. m., then went to Rectory and had supper with Mr. and Mrs. Haslam and their three sons at home, looked at some photographs sent by Bishop Brent to the boys, came away at nine forty five, here at quarter past ten.

### Monday, June 13, 1910

Up at seven, usual time for breakfast, a clear day again, went over town and bought provisions, at supper Rev. Mr. Haslam was here, Miss Pullin, Mabel and children. After clearing up the room we had some discussions, Mrs. Taylor joining in with Mr. Haslam, the Hemenways also were present. Miss Pullen and one of them played cribbage, four of us played 500 we also had music and song. Miss Pullen is quite good at piano and vocal music. We broke up at eleven o'clock and part of us retired. I am attending to a few things before closing the house.

### Tuesday, June 14, 1910

Another bright day as perfect as could be desired. I was around home all the morning. Mabel and the children to be a comfort and Miss Pullin also. Mrs. Taylor had a birthday cake for her granddaughter Judith Hemenway who is fourteen years old today. I met Jennie at the depot and went around with her for shopping etc., in the evening Mabel, Miriam and the

2 Hemenways, Elizabeth and Judith attended the concert at Pinkerton Academy. They have not yet returned and I am at home with the two little grandchildren, Lawrence G. and Miriam S. the evening is perfectly lovely, and we ought to be happy and thankful.

#### Wednesday, June 15, 1910

Another fine day passed, I cut the grass on my lawn in the morning. The presence of young people in hammocks and swings is pleasing, I remember years ago envying other people this pleasure that did not come to my lot. I seemed to have no friends of this class to come and spend a few days or weeks at my house, and be seen around my grounds. These days are to be remembered by others as well as myself, as the fruitage of many long anticipations. My wife writes that she will start on the 25th of this month for home.

## Thursday, June 16, 1910

I used the scythe and rake on part of my lawn then followed with the lawn mower, but the process is very slow. I set out more cannas and dahlias and put fertilizer under the bulbs mixing it with the soil. Went to the Rectory for tea, met Rev. and Mrs. W. P. Niles and the district nurse at tea. After supper we played five hundred till about half past ten It was raining and I borrowed a raincoat and rubbers of Mr. Haslam. Came home and talked with the family until midnight, when we all went to bed.

#### Friday, June 17, 1910

It has rained about every hour in the day and yet I have been to town and attended to considerable business without getting wet and in the evening I attended the concert at Pinkerton Academy with Mabel and Miriam. Mrs. Pettee also seemed to be in our group, the others remained for promenade and select dancing, but I came home at ten forty-five The concert and reader were both of high merit, the attendance was good white dresses and delicate attentions all right inside regardless of the rain.

## Saturday, June 18, 1910

Before the breakfast dishes were washed, Russell and Miss Allen arrived and took us by surprise as I thought they would reach Derry about noon. There has been much rain today, thunder and lightning. Bennie Adams called at dusk, just up from Newtonville or Cambridge. Miss Pullen returned on the five o'clock train. She went sooner than I expected. I went over town for provisions to last till Monday. I expect to be away all day tomorrow, and the rest of the family must look after the house and their meals.

#### Sunday, June 19, 1910

Arose at 6:45, took bath, dressed, ate a banana, walked to station, took 8 o'clock car for Manchester, had breakfast at the Rev. C. R. Bailey's house, went to Goffstown conducted service and preached at 10:45, came back to Manchester, lunched at Laflammes', went to East Manchester, conducted service and preached at 3 p. m. took car for West Manchester tea with Mrs. Bailey, preached at 6:30 p. m., took car for Derry at 8 p. m. Met by Brent Haslam, went to Rectory, had supper with Mr. and Mrs. Haslam and Brent, came away at ten, now at home at about eleven o'clock.

### Monday, June 20, 1910

Up at seven, Miss Allen soon after, breakfast in due time. Williams here all day painting and whitewashing, we are fixing up the two rooms for Mabel and children, where Mrs. Tay-

lor was. Shepard here washing windows, sweeping rugs and cleaning house. I gave Mabel a bank book with one hundred dollars in it and a five dollar gold piece for the boy, and promised her if she keeps the book that I will add another hundred because she spent the hundred I gave her for the girl. I cut some grass and smoothed up some with the lawn mower.

### Tuesday, June 21, 1910

Up at seven o'clock, breakfast at eight. Mabel and two children, Russell and friend and myself. Williams finished papering and painting two rooms for Mabel. I attended lodge in the evening, very warm, as Master worked the 3rd degree on Clinton C. Allison. Rev. Charles Tilton present. Dr. Pillsbury, Mr. Johnson and a son of Mr. Tilton, these were visitors, We had ice cream, cake and eigars, pleasant affairs with speeches by Mr. Tilton and Mr. Ranney, both excellent and sensible not merely amusing.

#### Wednesday, June 22, 1910

Up at seven, breakfast with full household, go over town, look up some business, make some calls, return for dinner, amuse the grand children in swing and hammock, the day has been warm, the girls are away, from time to time, others come here. I was accosted by Mrs. H. P. Hood and called in to meet Mrs. Laura Johnston and Mrs. Reandeau and talk about Mrs. Taylor and her future, where she will locate next if obliged to move. Spend the evening at home. Russell just came in, Mabel not yet in at ten o'clock.

# Thursday, June 23, 1910

Up at 7 o'clock, breakfast at eight, I am entirely relieved of all responsibility for the meals since Rusself came, and Miss Allen generally washes the dishes after all meals. The day has been fine. I was at the Rectory with Rev. Charles Tilton and Rev.

George Haslam. Mrs. Haslam served us strawberries and cream with sugar, also a cup of tea on the veranda. Several callers today. Mrs. Pullen came up from Cambridge. She is invited to dine with us tomorrow. I did a little weeding in the garden after supper, things growing fast.

## Friday, June 24, 1910

Mrs. Pullin was here for dinner. She looks as familiar as she did fifty years ago when weattended Minkerton Academy together, with Prof. Stanton as principal. She was also here at supper. We made changes today in rooms, more papering and overhauling of furniture. Mrs. Pettee here after supper. Set up a bedstead in the southwest room for Mabel and children. Son of Rev. Charles Tilton called and made effort to interest me in new books. I subscribed to 12 vol. set of Stoddard. He is a Mason like his father.

## Saturday, June 25, 1910

Russell prompt as clock, had breakfast at 7:30 exactly, dinner at 12:30 and supper at 6:30 or a little earlier. I mowed over my lawn all clean on the street side and toward the south, rather hard and hot pushing the lawn mower. I was over town and got another high chair, both children have them. I sat up till two o'clock last night to finish my sermon, made corrections today and practiced reading the sermon, everybody cheerful. Received two baskets of strawberries today from Tyrrell and Clarke.

## Sunday, June 26, 1910

Began with bath, dressing and breakfast, then go to church. Russell and Miss Allen there, fine decorations. I conducted service and preached. There were thirteen in choir and we went out around and came up center. Dinner at Rectory, go to Manchester, conducted service and preach 3 p. m.

back to Derry, tea at Rectory, Bishop and Mr. Haslam late, I began service without them. They came at lessons. had confirmation and Bishop E. M. Parker preached. Supper at the Rectory with the Bishop and the family and L. M. Packer, sat talking till eleven, then came home.

### Monday, June 27, 1910

Spent the day mainly at home, breakfast and dinner with the family Russell and Miss Allen, Mabel and the two children. Holmes and Wheeler brought Emily F. Hall's things over from Dr. Dearborn's house to mine, eight day tall clock, bureau. mahogany center table. The marble top table was taken across the street to Mrs. Kate Hall's house. Went to supper at Rectory with Bishop Parker. Mr. and Mrs. Haslam and three sons at home. Sat after supper on veranda and talked till near eleven. just returned to write this diary and go to bed.

# Tuesday, June 28, 1910

A beautiful day, spent mostly at home. Heard from Jennie several times by telephone. Went to town in afternoon and ordered a tent and had it set up at six o'clock, 10 by 12 with rain cover double, cot bed and two camp stools. Russell and Miss Allen camping out with Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert up in Ring's pasture in sight of this house. Bought three tickets for the Chester hall concert, Dr. Barker anxious to make it successful. Mrs. Sawyer of Chester called with the tickets, reserved seats. Many events coming along near together.

#### Wednesday, June 29, 1910

Russell and Miss Allen returned from camping in the wood about eight, breakfast together, attended to mail, letter from Mrs. H. C. Moore, (cousin Hattie) asking me to buy her place here (uncle Jesse Gibson's) perhaps Jennie and I may attempt to do

so. She wants four thousand dollars. I went up to the farm at four o'clock, took supper with Mr. and Mrs. Macgregor, his son John MacGregor came in while I was there, fine looking man. Came home at eight, Russell gone driving with Charles B. Chase to Chester, not yet back at nine-thirty.

## Thursday, June 30, 1910

About home in the morning. The tent looks cosy and comfortable with the children and grandchildren about the yard. Went to bank in afternoon and counted coin and currency for semi annual report. All meals at home. Rev. George Haslam at supper with us in the open lawn. At night Miss Allen, Mabel and I went on special car to Chester and heard concert in New Memorial hall, given by Roxbury club quartette and pianist. Came back at eleven. Miss Miriam Pullen and Benny Adams met us at car and she is with us for tonight. Fine weather

#### Friday, July 1, 1910

Up at seven, Miriam Pullen here till three o'clock and then went to Cambridge. Mr. and Mrs. MacGregor came at noon and had dinner with us. We had an old fashioned sing, all the gospel hymns that are most familiar, all taking part. We went out into the woods and planned a camp in a tree. Mr. MacGregor promising to construct a tree camp. They were here till ten minutes of six and went home. Mabel went to the pond a while after supper. Supper was in the open air, the Powells called in the evening, Ed and wife.

### Saturday, July 2, 1910

Up at seven, breakfast, warm morning, started at once to cut grass on lawn, finished the work before noon, sawed and split some wood, wrote on sermon, went to town in afternoon, called on Mrs. Alfred Hepworth, made arrangements for Masonic funeral of her husband who

died this morning. We ate supper on the lawn, Mrs. MacMurphy came during supper time. She reported Amanda at Masonic home in Manchester, N. H. Fine place but I am sorry she was not happy with her son and his wife in Boston. Bought a refrigerator and put in ice.

### Sunday, July 3, 1910.

Up at early hour, had breakfast, Mrs. MacMurhpy, Miss Russell, Mrs. Jerome, Miss Miriam, Lawrence and Miss Allen and myself, wife attended church with me. Russell went with Miss Allen, the rest stayed at home, warm morning, comfortable evening, looking like wet weather tomorrow. I assisted at celebration this morning and at evening prayer, Russell and Miss Allen with me at service tonight. Played with Greville Haslam at Rectory, he having flute and I piano. I was at the Rectory for supper after service, just came home at quarter past ten.

### Monday, July 4, 1910

Up at seven, bath and breakfast. Mr. Chase and I hired each a two seated carriage and all went to Island Pond for the day. Mabel and the two children, Mrs. MacMurphy and Russell. We went to the Chase grove and found many people there. We had a good lunch with us and enjoyed a very beautiful day. We returned about half past six, had supper out doors, and spent sometime playing five hundred. Mrs. MacMurphy, Russell, Mr. Chase and I, four hands, Mabel went to East Derry to see the fireworks at the pavilion.

### Tuesday, July 5, 1910

Occupied much of the forenoon telephoning to Masons and making arangements for the Masonic services at the funeral of brother Alfred Hepworth, 62 years of age. Met at lodge room at one o'clock, opened in due form, took car for West Derry, at-

tended the funeral at Baptist church, read impressive ritual with offices well filled, brother C. A. Sefton sang, took special car to East Derry, performed burial service at the grave, depositing apron and evergreen. About twenty five Masons in the procession. Good attendance for the day. Returned to lodge and closed in form.

## Wednesday, July 6, 1910

Occupied some of the morning telephoning to make arrangements for the funeral of Charles Stevens, past master of a lodge and 32nd degree Mason. We were at the church at 3 p. m. Mr. Stevens' son is the Rev. W. E. Stevens, curate of St. James church, New York. He was pleased to thank us for Masonic funeral. He is a 32nd degree Mason, Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of New York, Prelate of Grand Commandery and high priest of a chapter. I expect to hear from him again. At night we attend-

ed Dr. Luther G. Dearborn's reception at home, East Derry, over three hundred people came and went and had refreshments.

## Thursday, July 7, 1910

Another fine day, went over to the bank, spent about an hour auditing accounts, going through all the loans and deposits, bonds and mortgages, verified the semi annual statement and took the oath as one of the appointed committee to make up the statements. All meals at home. Mrs. Louise (Pullen) Richardson called in the evening, she is invited to dine with us tomorrow. Mrs. Gilbert, Russell and Miss Allen went bathing in Beaver lake this afternoon they report the water warm and bath pleasurable.

## Friday, July 8, 1910

Beautiful weather after a shower in the night. Started writing on a sermon. Mrs Richardson, sister of Jerome's wife, here for dinner, her husband is a lawyer in Newtonville, Mass., a graduate of Dartmouth, class of 1899. About four o'clock I pulled up the stakes to the tent and wheeled the camp up into Ring's pasture, Russell and Kate taking along provisions etc. I set up the tent 8 by 10 with flaps 27 stakes, two wigwams were also set up of small dimensions. Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert will also camp out tonight with the two girls.

# Saturday, July 9, 1910

Went over town in the morning, called at bank and at B. T. Pettingill's and at the stores. Came back and wrote on sermon, had it finished, soon after dinner, read it over and made corrections, read it aloud to Mrs. MacMurphy, after supper went with Mabel and Mrs. Richardson up to the girls' camp in the pines, they seem to enjoy the pine woods very much, Russell, Kate, Mr. and Mrs.

Gilbert. At night Mabel, Mrs. Mac-Murphy, Mr. Chase and I played at five hundred till about eleven.

Sunday, July 10, 1910

A warm day in which the mercury remained between 90 and 100 degrees all day and into the night. I had the services at West Derry and preached. Rev. H. H. Haynes Ph. D. and wife in the congregation, also Mrs. Col. Olive Lee and other distinguished people including Mrs. MacMurphy and daughter. Russell. Mr. Benny Adams called, also Mrs. James P. Richardson. We found it hot around the house even in the shade. Attended evening service. Had supper with the Rev. and Mrs. George Haslam and their sons, sat and talked and drank tea (Russian) until after ten o'clock and came home to write these notes.

Monday, July 11, 1910

After breakfast went to West Derry, visited Mr. Pinkham and took a note from him for rent and discounted it at bank for twenty-five dollars, looked in at office for more rent, but none found. Pettingill not ready. Bought light suit of clothes and shoes. In the evening went up to camp with Mr. Chase, left him up there to sleep all night near Russell, Kate and Mrs. Gilbert, he seemed to think it fine to occupy the tent, he will come to the house in the morning for bath etc. The day has been very fine.

### Tuesday, July 12, 1910

Breakfast at 7:45 a.m., all on hand soon, girls came from camps, put the water service on my garden and weeded out beets, carrots and spinach, after supper six of us went to the Rectory, met Rev. H. H. Haynes and wife and Miss Hubbard, played five hundred and then partook of ice cream, cake and plums with ginger ale with Mr. and Mrs. Haslam, the boys waited on the table. We came on

ten o'clock car home, then I went to camp with Russell and Kate, saw a light there and returned for bed at eleven o'clock.

## Wednesday, July 13, 1910

After breakfast took care of the boy until ten o'clock, then went to the station and got some sausages: and bananas thence to farm, met Russell, Kate, Mrs Gilbert, Mr. and Mrs. McGregor. We had an outdoors dinner, hot potatoes and roast frankfurters, potato salad with onion and green peas, bread, butter, rhubarb pie; currents and cake and hot tea. I came home, the others went to visit a camp where two teachers from Texas, women, were alone in the woods near the McGregor place on the other road, they came back to camp.

# Thursday, July 14, 1910

Another fine day, wife and I went to Manchester on the one o'clock electric car, up Beach street to Masonic home, saw Amanda and she showed us all over the building. She is very happy in the home. All the rooms are full. While we were there Miss Cornelia James and sister called on Amanda, after we came from the home we went to Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Bailey's, 31 George Street, found Mrs. Bailey at home, came away from Manchester about six and were at home at seven thirty, ate supper and played five hundred with Mabel and Mr. Chase till eleven. Must finish sermon in the morning.

# Friday, July 15, 1910

Breakfast at half past seven, corrected and read sermon aloud. Hoed my garden from end to end and took out the hose and watered it for a couple of hours, went to town, got my last Sunday's sermon back from the printers. Miss Pullen was here again and took dinner with us. Miss Allen and Russell from the camp,

came in for supper, had it spread out of doors. I called on Mrs. O'Hara about a deed for her place to be made next week. The day has been warm and dry, haying nearly done at the farm, all but the low lands.

### Saturday, July 16, 1910

We had breakfast, and Mr. Chase got a two horse team and he. Russell. Mrs. MacMurphy and myself started for Deerfield at nine o'clock, was at Raymond at noon and put up team and had dinner at River house. The Rev. A. H. Thompson piloted us all around town to his church. It rained and we bought three pairs of rubbers and umbrella there, started on at three o'clock in rain, reached the Center at five, put up the team. Stewart and Russell took Charles over to John Silvers, they met Fanny Bell Pinkerton walking with Mr. Gillis. The rest of us had supper at the James home with Mrs. J. W. James and her two sons.

#### Sunday, July 17, 1910

Mrs. MacMurphy, Russell and I, had breakfast with Mrs. James and her two sons. Ed and I attended church and were introduced to several. The Minister gave me invitation to offer the prayer. He is a Master Mason. There were about two hundred people present and Rev. Mr. Babb preached exactly forty minutes by the watch. He is a Baptist and the congregationalists have hired him @ \$1200. He is a corker. All of us had dinner with the Jameses. Started for home at two p. m., made calls along the way. Went up into Nottingham Mountains. Charles and Russell climbed up one of the peaks. We came back through Raymond and Chester.

## Monday, July 18, 1910

Cool morning, clear, breakfast together. Nobody at camp last night. Sawed some wood and split it for the house, telephoned with Jennie several times about going to the picnic at Canobee Park. Ed Adams called, we talked about trip to Deerfield and the Mountains. Dinner at home, all hands at table. Took a nap after dinner, no great satisfaction. Wife set out some shrubs and hemlocks brought from Nottingham, do not think they will catch. Supper together indoors, too cold outside for comfort sitting still.

# Tuesday, July 19, 1910

Breakfast all together. I cut the grass on my lawn in the forenoon. Mrs. MacMurphy and Russell went to North Salem to visit Mrs. Caproni, they came home at night. Albert Davis called to see about a fence between the Mary A. Johnson lot and Alphius Beebe. He will build on the lot, and dig a well beginning at once. Mr. Chase, Mrs. MacMurphy, Russell and I have played whist this evening to get in practice for a party soon to come off. Mabel was up town till

ten o'clock. Mrs. Pettee came home with her. Another fine day has passed.

#### Wednesday, July 20, 1910

After breakfast Miss Allen, Mabel and little Miriam and I took a car for the station and went to the Union Sunday School picnic at Canobie Lake. Mr. and Mrs. MacGregor also went. We took a basket of provisions and bought tea and other things, ice cream etc. Met many people that I had not seen for years. Emerson of Hampstead was there with team, he kindly offered to take Miss Allen to her great aunt's in Hampstead. Miss Fanny Boyinton. She went. I heard from her later when I got home by telephone. Russell went to the farm after tea, to stay with Mrs. MacGregor as her husband had gone to Nashua for the night.

## Thursday, July 21, 1910

Russell at the farm, Kate at Hampstead, we breakfast at eight o'clock Russell went out with her aunt Jennie to lunch in the woods over the brook, after dinner she came home and went with Mabel and both children to the pond and they took a bath, even little Miriam. Mrs. Pettee came with Mabel and they went off again in the evening to do some sewing on dresses and things for the two children. I began a sermon, I watered the Iawn and garden with the hose and water service.

# Friday, July 22, 1910

Wrote on sermon in the morning, sawed wood, was at home all day, in the afternoon a Miss Boynton of Hampstead drove up to my door with Miss Allen, she came in and spent an hour with us, pleasantly talking of Hampstead people that we know. At night Mrs. MacMurphy, Russell, Mabel and Mr. Chase went to Beaver pond pavillion to play whist, a club meeting to raise money for the district nurse, Miss Hubbard, they are

now just coming back at ten minutes after eleven, it has rained since they went away, rain very much needed.

# Saturday, July 23, 1910

Up at seven, breakfast at half past, worked on sermon till finished, read it over and made corrections, went to depot in afternoon for meat, bread, b ans, etc. Mrs. MacMurphy, Kate, Russell and Mr. Chase went away on 3:30 p. m. train, going to Hampton beach for the night and tomorrow, came home, Ben Adams called after tea, I read all the evening, the day has been warm and dry, I had the hose put on and watered the lawn and garden, intend to go to bed rather early, Mabel has gone before ten,

## Sunday, July 24, 1910

Up at seven, only Mabel and the children here, the rest at Hampton Beach. I went to church, conducted

service and preached at 10:45, came home for dinner with Mabel and the children, after tea went to church and gave evening prayer only. Mr. Haslam came home, I then went to the Rectory and had supper with the family and sat a while to talk over the events of the day, he had been at Peterboro, I came home at ten, found the family had come back from Hampton Beach, having had a fine excursion.

### Monday, July 25, 1910

The night was warm, I lay on top of clothing all night, the morning was hot, but it came on with thunder and lightning after dinner and the bursts of thunder were loud, later, after copious shower it came on again raining in torrents, the air cleared up and the evening is cool, Mrs. Pettee was here calling, we sat out of doors until about nine, then came in and Russell, Mrs. MacMurphy, Mr. Chase and I played two

games of five hundred, we are still sitting up and talking of the seaside resorts.

## Tuesday, July 26, 1910

Started work on sermon after morning work, shelled peas from my garden for dinner, had turnips and greens also. Russell and Kate at the camp in the woods. Miss Carrie Mac-Gregor has joined them and also Mrs. Gilbert. Mrs. MacMurphy and I called on Mrs. Olive Lee, at her home this afternoon, also called on Mrs. Haslam Jennie wants to go to Hampton Beach tomorrow to attend Farmers' Convention and see the Governor and other big men, grangers, etc. There is a band concert tonight, we hear the music distinctly from the piazzas, the weather is very comfortable.

## Wednesday, July 27, 1910

Up before seven, had breakfast, sawed wood and split for stove, we

picked peas and had a fine dish for dinner. Russell and Kate and Miss MacGregor were down from the camp during a short time. Mr. Haslam came over after tea and with Mr. Chase, Mrs. MacMurphy and myself we made up a four hand set at five hundred and played until half past eleven. Mrs. O'Hara was here and had a draft for the balance due on her place. I have a deed ready to sign for conveyance to her. Fine day just passed.

## Thursday, July 28, 1910

Up at seven o'clock, breakfast, tend to the pleasure of the boy for an hour, read over my sermon, made corrections, after dinner went to depot with deed for Mrs. Mary O'Hara. She paid me four hundred and ten dollars, balance deposited at bank, came home attended Russell's camp party, thirty-one persons present, out door refreshments served. Mr. and Mrs. MacGregor there, others of

the family, I may record the names of party tomorrow if they all come to mind, in evening Mr. Haslam, Mr. Chase, Mrs. MacMurphy and I played five hundred till past midnight.

### Friday, July 29, 1910

Miss Edith Shaw and Miss Clara Shaw of West Medford, Mass., are here for a few days. Mrs. Carrie MacGregor, who has been camping in the woods with Russell and Kate. went home tonight. Mrs. Col. Lee made us a call this afternoon and spent about an hour, very pleasantly enjoyed by all the house. She has been quite a traveler. Mabel and Miss Edith Shaw are at the Hood's "Pop Concert" tonight. Miss Clara Shaw went into camp with Russell and Kate and Mrs. Gilbert tonight. I walked up with her and carried mail for Kate. The day has been beautiful.

#### Saturday, July 30, 1910

Miss Clara Shaw slept at the camp in a tent with Russell, Kate and Mrs. Gilbert. She came home early, the rest came down for dinner. Mr. John H. Pullen came up from Cambridge and called. He is looking for a house furnished for the month of August. Mrs. MacMurphy and little Miriam went over town on the cars. all were here for supper in the open air, after tea Mabel and Miss Edith Shaw went to the picnic at the pond. Roman Catholic affair, about ten o'clock Russell went to camp. Mr. and Mrs. Russell are at the camp tonight with Russell and Kate and Mrs. Gilbert. Mr. Chase, Mrs. MacMurphy, Miss Clara Shaw and I played games.

### Sunday, July 31, 1910

Had breakfast at 8 a. m., walked to depot, took 9:15 car to Manchester, gave morning prayer and sermon at St. Andrews, came over to Elm street and had dinner at restaurant, took 2:15 car to Derry, thence home. Mr. Chase hired team and took Russell, Misses Edith and Clara Shaw riding to Massabesic and around, they returned at 7 p.m., we had supper together. Miss Allen was here. Mabel and children after supper talked until about 11 p. m. This has been a fine day, fairly cool and comfortable.

# Monday, August 1, 1910

Up at seven, took the usual full bath. Mrs. MacMurphy had breakfast ready at eight, we had a full table, as also at dinner and supper. Russell, Kate and Mrs. Gilbert were in camp. The Misses Shaw went to camp and beyond and picked blueberries, quite a lot. Mrs. Hood and Miss Reandeau called, George Waldo Browne called and wanted notes on town history, left a manuscript to be looked over and corrected for which he will call in September. Secretary of Board of Trade, called and

wants me to write an article to be signed by them.

# Tuesday, Aug. 2, 1910

Miss Boynton of Hampstead came here with horse and carriage, went to camp for dinner with the girls. late in aftern on. Miss Allen went to Hampstead with Miss Boynton for a week's visit. I went to town after dinner, having written a paper for the Board of Trade to use in appreciation of the services of Rosecran W. Pillsbury, heard from Jennie several times during the day. It rained, thungered and lightened in the afternoon, gardens much benefited thereby. Mr. Chase. Mrs. MacMurphy and I played one game of 500 this evening. Only two at camp tonight.

#### Wednesday, Aug. 3, 1910

I wrote fifteen pages on sermon, and took care of the boy quite a while, he is a fine boy. Ben Adams brought us a dozen perch from the Adams pond and I dressed them, we had some fried for supper. Mr. Mc-Gregor came down intending to sleep at the camp, but it began to rain about seven o'clock and it was decided to postpone sleeping out in tents till another day. Mr. Chase, Russell, Mrs. MacMurphy and I played five hundred till ten o'clock, Mabel was up town at Mrs. Pettee's until ten and has just returned.

# Thursday, Aug. 4, 1910

Up in the morning, all hands at breakfast. Mrs. MacMurphy and Russel prepared the meal and table. I took care of the boy till ten o'clock, then sawed and split some wood, and sat down to writing, the sermon was not completed till toward evening, a rain came on with thunder and lightning and has continued till bedtime. Russell and Mrs. Gilbert spent the evening at Mr. and Mrs. Russell's going through an opera with interpretations. Mabel went to Mrs.

Pettee's and is not yet returned. Mr. Chase is reading nearby and Mrs. MacMurphy is writing letters.

# Friday, Aug. 5, 1910

Mrs. Amanda Mellows of the Masonic Home in Manchester came down today and spent all day with us. She is looking fine and seems to enjoy the new home very much. Mrs. C. H. Alexander was here today cleaning the house and shaking out the rugs. Russell was here all day, but goes to the tent tonight, it seems there are nine persons already engaged to go. to Peterboro to attend the McDowell pageant, music, history, etc. Mr. Chase, Russell, Mrs. MacMurphy and I played 500 at night, after Russell went to camp we played three handed games.

#### Saturday, Aug. 6, 1910

Went to town in the morning, to the bank and Moore & Chase's office, John Hardy called me to his house and we had a long talk on his brother Frank's situation in the failure of the shoe firm of Perkins & Hardy. He thinks Frank will start into business again in one of the shops and make the fortune that he has lost, we were home at all meals, the day has been cool. Mr. Meek sent us some peas and apples out of his garden, they were left on the door stone, very early this morning.

# Sunday, Aug. 7, 1910

Bright sunshine and comfortably cool, after breakfast went to depot, took 9:15 car for city, gave holy communion and preached at St. Andew's, West Manchester, got a chicken dinner at eating room on Elm street, came back on 1:15 car reaching home at about 2:30 p. m., sang and played for two hours, after supper wife and I took a walk up around by Bamptons, went in and spent half an hour with them and their friends, came back, sat outside talking with

Mr. Chase until nine o'clock, Jerome is expected to arrive on a late car.

# Monday, Aug. 8, 1910

Jerome came by way of Manchester and was here about half past ten, last night, all my descendants sat out in front of house for a picture today, I mean to have one hundred postal pictures and get them colored. I and Jerome brought the tents home from the woods today and set up the large one in the yard. Russell is going to Peterboro tomorrow to take part in the pageant on the 16th, 18th and 20th of this month. Mr. Haslam was here for tea and remained all the evening till 11:45 to play five-hundred with us.

# Tuesday, Aug. 9, 1910

Breakfast early, and Russell took street car at 7:45 a.m. for depot, to go to Peterboro for two weeks. I went to town to both banks and stores, home for dinner, in afternoon Mrs. MacMurphy and I went to Chester on stockholders' passes, walked up the street and down and returned at four o'clock, Mrs. John H. Bell came up from Boston in Ben Adams' automobile, she was May Prescott, she was here for supper on the lawn, She went back to Boston on the nine o'clock train, since which we have sat around talking and reading papers.

# Wednesday, Aug. 10, 1910

Went over town in the morning, called on the Davises but found nothing, got some rent of Moquin, came home for dinner, spent the rest of the day at home, had a load of wood put in shed, another coming perhaps tomorrow. In the evening Ben Adams came in and we played 500 a while, changed partners several times, heard from Peterboro, nine tickets to Musical entertainment, came for Russell at one dollar and a

half a piece, Jerome went over town and back, some trouble with his teeth.

# Thursday, Aug. 11, 1910

There has been some rain today. Express package of music for Russell, wife wrote her that I would go to Peterboro to the show on the 20th. Mrs. Gilbert here to talk over arrangements to go, two rooms engaged at Tucker Tayern in Peterboro for some of us, Jerome hired a horse and buggy and drove out with Mabel and the two children. Jerome and Mabel. Mr. Chase and Mrs. MacMurphy are playing five hundred and having funny situations. We may go to Lowell tomorrow for the day. Some thunder and lightning during the day. Jennie had not come home at five o'clock.

### Friday, Aug. 12, 1910

Up before seven, had breakfast and Mrs. MacMurphy and I started on the 7:45 car for depot, thence 8:20 steam

car to Salem, by electric to Pelham, called on Misses Susan M. and Caddie Smith, thence to Lowell, called on Ed Gibson found his family away thence to Chelmsford, visited Mrs. Addie Sawyer and her mother, Mrs. Moses Gibson, back to Lowell called on Miss Carrie Marsh at 418 Walker Street, came back to Salem, met Miss May Dyson on cars, took coffee at Salem, thence to Derry and walked home, had supper after arriving at home.

# Saturday, Aug. 13, 1910

Breakfast at half past seven, went to work on sermon, had it finished late in afternoon. Mr. Haslam came over for tea, and asked me to give my sermon tomorrow which I shall be very glad to do. Miss Henry of Oak Park came before tea to stay a few days, Jerome, she and Mabel went out in the evening. Mr. Chase Mrs. MacMurphy, Mr. Haslam and I played five hundred until half past

ten, the others had not yet returned. The day has been fine, the sun bright and air cool, garden looking very well, beans and lettuce every day.

# Sunday, Aug. 14, 1910

Breakfast soon after eight. I went to church and preached at 10:45, Mrs. MacMurphy came in at Sunday School. Benjamin Adams took a party in his auto and came at 12:30. I baptized the grandson, Lawrence Gibson MacMurphy at that time with Rev. George Haslam, Louis M. Packer, Col. Olive B. Lee as sponsors. Ben brought us home and had dinner with us after dinner. Dana How and a Mr. Whipple called in the evening. I went to church at seven and had tea at the Rectory with Rev. Haslam, his wife and three sons, and sat talking until ten o'clock, came home wrote up this diary and to bed.

# Monday, Aug. 15, 1910

Breakfast about eight, Jerome got a buggy and drove with Miriam and Miss Henry to Scobey pond and with a boat, pulled some pond lilies and took a look at the old familiar roads and houses going and coming. I went to the bank and printing office and came home for dinner. Had telephone call from Manchester to officiate at a funeral on Wednesday, and a letter from E. B. Phillips calling for a baptism at St. Andrews on next Sunday morning. In the evening Mrs. MacMurphy, Mr. Chase, Jerome and I played 500. I renewed Saturday Evening Post another year.

# Tuesday, Aug. 16, 1910

Breakfast at eight. Miss Carrie Marsh did not appear as expected on account of slight rain, but it cleared up soon. Jerome went to the farm with his rifle and was at supper with his aunt and Mr. MacGregor. Ben Adams came here with his automobile and took Mabel and Beatrice and went to the farm for Jerome. They returned soon, Jerome then went

with them to the depot and has not come in at ten o'clock. Walter Clement called to see me on the laying out of early highways near his farm. Mr. Chase sat and talked a while with us and then to bed.

### Wednesday, Aug. 17, 1910

Jerome, Mabel, Miss Henry and Miriam drove to Island Pond for the day. Mrs. MacMurphy took care of the boy. I went to Manchester at noon, officiated at funeral of Benjamin Boothroyd, aged 74 years, service also at the grave in Pine Grove cemetery. Came by car to Pine Island, met Jennie and Mr. Mac-Gregor, Rev. George Haslam and wife and two of her sisters also Bishop C. H. Brent the brother of Mrs. Haslam, we all came home on car. Miss Allen returned from Hampstead and is here. After tea Mrs. MacMurphy and I attended East Derry Fair and play, the Haslams and Brents were there. Ben and Ed. Adams were here when we got back.

#### Thursday, Aug. 18, 1910

Miss Allen went away to Peterboro pageant at half past seven this morning. I was at West Derry calling on tenants and at bank. Mr. Goodrich and wife and Mrs. Frank Proctor and daughter of Wilton called and spent half an hour. Ben Adams was here several times with his automobile. he took Miss Henry out to his mother's farm and around town in the car. Jerome shot twice at woodchucks today, up near the meadow dam. Mr. Chase, Mrs. MacMurphy. Jerome and I played five hundred in the evening, just two games. I heard from Hattie Moore today, offering her home to me for \$3500.

# Friday, Aug. 19, 1910

Breakfast at eight, Kate Allen returned about half past ten. Ben Adams came with his automobile about ten o'clock, Mabel and two children, Miss Henry, Jerome and I went with Ben to the farm and had dinner

with Mr. and Mrs. MacGregor. Ben brought the women home, Jerome and I walked up through the woods to the back end of the farm and looked at the growth, later we came home. Mr. Goodrich, Mrs. Frank Proctor and daughter, Alice Proctor were at the farm after dinner. I suppose we are to get up early and go to Peterboro tomorrow.

### Saturday, Aug. 20, 1910

Up at 6:30 a. m., had breakfast and took 7:45 car for station. Mrs. Mac-Murphy and Charles B. Chase also going with me, took 8 a.m. car to Goffs falls and Nashua, thence to Peterboro and attended Pageant, saw the Mc-Dowell studio and went to some show places. Met many people, 1500 people there and 150 autos, success attended the performance, about a dozen Derry people there, took meals at Tucker Tavern, came away at 6:45 p. m. Met Frank Proctor at Wilton, Met H.

P. Morrison on electrics near Goffsfalls. Reached Derry at eleven and home at 11:30 p. m., the others will return tomorrow night.

### Sunday, Aug. 21, 1910

Took a banana for my breakfast. went to depot, thence by 9:15 car to Manchester, met Mr. E. B. Phillips and went to St. Andrews, preached at 10:45, good congregation, baptized a child. Annie Hatton, thence to Elm street eating room for chicken dinner came home at half past two, wrote up notes of the week with sermon, rode to church with Ben Adams in his auto, took part in evening service Bishop C. H. Brent preached, attended reception at Rectory afterwards, largely patronized, five Brents there. Came home, found the party back from Peterboro.

### Monday, Aug. 22, 1910

Miss Henry was intending to go to Cambridge today and Ben Adams was here with automobile but she decided to stay till Wednesday, Miss Allen is here, all of us at home but Jerome. The company look cheerful about the house. Mr. Haslam engaged Russell to play at the party at the Tysons, East Derry on Thursday, tickets on sale at 50 cents. Accommodations for a hundred, the bishop (Brent) will speak. Miss Rudolf play, Sefton sing and other talent employed, there will be violin etc. The day has been fine and evening cool.

### Tuesday, Aug. 23, 1910

Mabel and the two children came here on the 14th of May and have been here continuously since, tomorrow they are to go to Cambridge. Miss Beatrice V. Henry will go with them. I shall miss them when they are gone west. I have six tickets to Lawn Party at the Tysons next Thursday. After supper all attended a meeting in the Adams Memorial Hall and heard Winston Churchill,

the author, speak, also Robert Bass, candidate for governor and R. W. Pillsbury as chairman. Mr. Chase, Russell, Kate and Mrs. MacMurphy went with me, we met and shook hands with the speakers before the opening of the meeting.

### Wednesday, Aug. 24, 1910

Up rather early, had breakfast, Mabel packed her trunk, dressed the children and prepared for a journey. Miss Eastman called. Walter Hill called. Mrs. Pettee called and Ben Adams came with his automobile and took in Miss Henry and the others. We kissed them all goodbye for a long journey. Mabel will be in Cambridge for a week and go to Chicago. The summer has been very pleasant. with whole family around me. Mr. and Mrs. Tyson called and Mr. Haslam to talk about the lawn party. Mr. Chase, Russell and Kate went over town in the evening for a walk and ride.

### Thursday, Aug. 25, 1910

Spent part of the day writing on sermon. At night attended the lawn party at the Tyson's, two car loads went up, Bishop Brent made address, Miss Rudolph played violin also Mrs. Maria Brickett, Mr. Sefton sang also Mr. Gilbert, there was a quartette. Mrs. MacMurphy told stories, Miss MacMurphy played piano also a Mr. Jones, refreshments were served free, cake, cream, candy, punch, etc. We came home at ten thirty, the evening is fine and entertainment everything that could be desired, most of our people were there and many others in town.

# Friday, Aug. 26, 1910

Warm morning, after breakfast went over town, attended to some business, came home and wrote on sermon. In the afternoon finished the sermon, read it aloud, etc. After supper walked with Rusell to the old camping grounds in the woods and

took a look at the evening lights in the town and the deepening twilight of a cool night afterwards came in and read by an open fire in sitting room, feeling the comfort of the heat quite a change in temperature, perhaps enough for a frost before morning.

### Saturday, Aug. 27, 1910

Beautiful morning, Mrs. MacMurphy and I took car for station, walked to Mr. MacGregor's studio, spent a little time talking with him, and walked on to the farm. I went further to Pinkham's and looked up some copper plates used in printing my maps etc., for Willey's Book of Nutfield. Came back and with Mrs. MacMurphy took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. MacGregor, after dinner we four walked about the field, picked some apples and fruits, we came away with basket of things and reached home at six. At ten o'clock Mr. Chase,

Kate and Russell returned from a trip to the Uncanoonue Mountain in Goffstown, they reported a splendid excursion.

# Sunday, Aug. 28, 1910

Breakfast at eight. I went to church, gave morning prayer and sermon, the congregation was large. I remained at Sunday school, came home for dinner at half past one. Mr. Packer came over with horse and buggy and took Mrs. MacMurphy out driving, after tea I went to church and gave evening prayer without my sermon, although the attendance was good. Mr. Packer and I spent some time with the Brents at Rectory, then he walked home with me, talked with us for an hour and went away about eleven.

### Monday, Aug. 29, 1910

Up at seven, took hurried breakfast and went to Mrs. Gilbert's house for trunk, took it to cars. She went away at 8:15. Russell went as far as station to see her started for Boston, the day has been cool but lovely in sunshine and clear sky. Miss Mary Anderson made a call on Mrs. MacMurphy and expressed her pleasure in reading Episcopal books, Dean Goulburn's and Dean Hodges, etc. Mr. Haslam came and was here for tea also remained to play five hundred all the evening till eleven o'clock, and do much talking, invited Russell and me to dinner next Sunday at the Rectory.

### Tuesday, Aug. 30, 1910

Up at seven, bath, dress, breakfast, and go over town, attend to business, came home for dinner, over town again, to bank, to stable, hired a rig and took Mrs. MacMurphy and Russell riding to make return calls on Tysons. Dearborns, Haynes, Andersons, Hoods, Lee, Pettee. After tea went to Adams Memorial building and heard Shermon Burroughs speak

for himself as the candidate for Representative in this district, he made a splendid campaign speech, afterwards we shook hands with him, I, Mrs. MacMurphy, Russell, Mr. Chase and Rev. Lucien Adams. We have just returned at ten-forty-five for bed.

### Wednesday, Aug. 31, 1910

Three of us at breakfast. The morning was cold. I began writing sermon. Mrs. MacMurphy telephoned to Amanda and then made appointment to visit her in a few hours, they took dinner at Jordon's. Saw and spoke with Cyrus A. Sullaway, an old friend of Leighton Mellow's. I went to town in afternoon, paid for postal pictures one hundred of them. Came home and wrote more on sermon, wife came home at six, supper all ready and waiting. Mr. Chase came in to talk over the Worthen connections. Russell and Mrs. Gilbert spent evening at lawyer Russell's.

### Thursday, Sept. 1, 1910

Mrs. Alexander was here today, cleaning house and dusting furniture. Jennie attended Pomona Grange meeting at depot also Women's Relief Corps. I wrote on sermon till it was finished, read it aloud to Mrs. Mac-Murphy. Russell went to Rectory to meet Miss Helen Brent and talk about St. Mary's School of Dallas, Texas, where both have been teachers. Brent Haslam telephoned me to expect him on Saturday to do a little work for me. The day has been cloudy with a litle rain. I have looked over "The miller and the toad" by Richard Clifton (Tyson) of East Derry.

# Friday, Sept. 2, 1910

Another beautiful day of sunshine and flowers, my dahlias are lovely also golden glow and big sunflowers by the dozen, everything at garden good for eating, corn, beans, beets, carrots, etc. Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Ty-

son called and looked over some music for an entertainment. Mrs. Bampton telephoned an offer of seats in carriage with them tonight, a team is also ordered to take Mrs. MacMurphy, Russell and Mr. Chase, myself, Mr. and Mrs. MacGregor to the Reid Paige Clarke bungalow party tonight. We start at seven o'clock and expect to get back about eleven. The night will be very dark.

# Saturday, Sept. 3, 1910

Returned from a very nice party at Reed Paige Clarke's last night at eleven o'clock. Up quite early this morning. Mrs. MacMurphy started away at 8:15 for Boston, Russell and I accompanied her to railroad station after reaching depot found Jennie there. She went to Lowell today to attend to bank books, have them verified. Rainy afternoon and evening, built up fire in sitting room to keep out the cold. Mr. Chase spent evening

with us talking about the party and the bungalow. Thinking of going to bed about ten o'clock, after reading papers.

# Sunday, Sept. 4, 1910

Russell prepared the breakfast and washed the dishes and went to church with me. I gave holy communion and preached the sermon at 10:45, opened Sunday School and taught a c'ass, also closed the same. We went to farm and had a dinner with Mr. and Mrs. MacGregor, spent the afternoon there. Russell came home at seven, I went to Rectory, had tea with Mrs. Haslam, her 3 sisters and Greville, Brent and Montford Haslam her sons. After that conducted the evening prayer at 7 p. m. and came off at once. The day has been hot, sultry and humid, but otherwise fine.

Monday, Sept. 5, 1910

After breakfast Russell and I joined Mr. and Mrs. MacGregor going to North Londonderry to attend the

Clan MacGregor annual meeting. There were about seventy in attendance at the house of David Brewster MacGregor. There were three tables set for their dinner and abundance of provisions. People from many states participated in the exercises, had their pictures taken and sang Auld Lang Syne, they broke up about half past four and we reached home at half past five. The day has been cloudy but no rain.

# Tuesday, Sept. 6, 1910

Rainy morning, I lay in bed until eleven o'clock not feeling inclined to come down for breakfast. Mrs. Gilbert called twice today. Mrs. Pettee and Miss Fanny Bell Pinkerton called last evening. Mrs. Pettee wants to borrow my tent for a few weeks to sleep out doors with a friend. This is the day for the primaries to ballot. I did not go to the meeting. Read Curtiss in Chicago Record. In the evening Russell, Mr. Chase and I

played five hundred for an hour, we are retiring in good season. We have a fire in the fire place and it is cheerful.

# Wednesday, Sept. 7, 1910

Up at seven, breakfast at half past, Russell packing her trunk. I went over town, to bank and rent agent's. came home for dinner with Russell at half past twelve, callers, Miss Marion Blood, Mrs. Gilbert and Mrs. Russel. I went over town again. The day was perfectly lovely, called at the Rectory, all away but Greville Haslam. Home again for tea at six. Telephoned with Mr. and Mrs. MacGregor. Mr. Bampton came in, used telephone, made a call. Chase home, he walked out with Russell, the house is quiet at ten o'clock and I am going to bed.

# Thursday, Sept. 8, 1910

Breakfast almost alone as Russell had eaten before me to get an early start. I took her trunk to street car and she left here at 7:45 a. m. I went over in time to see her at the railroad station at 8:20. I came home to an empty house. The day has been beautiful but exceedingly lonely for me after all the company of the last three months and more. At night attended and presided at R. A. Chapter meeting, worked M. E. degree on lawyer L. W. Russell, the Chapter gave me a vote of praise for the excellent manner in which I performed some special portions.

# Friday, Sept. 9, 1910

This has been a lovely day. I ate breakfast alone, prepared over the fire in fairly good style, went to the bank with money from the west, came home, built up another fire and cooked dinner, ate alone, again clearing up and washing dishes with care. Wrote on sermon most of the afternoon, about five o'clock walked up to the farm, ate a supper with Mr. and Mrs. MacGregor, sat a while and

talked of late parties, politics, etc., brought some pears along, coming home about half past seven. Wrote some more in the evening, sermon, and diary, then to bed.

#### Saturday, Sept. 10, 1910

Breakfast alone, lovely day, went over town to bank and stores, came home and had dinner alone, wrote on sermon and finished it by four o'clock, telephoned twice with Jennie, sat out in the sun and memorized charge to Entered Apprentice to be used next Tuesday. Read some of William E. Curtiss' articles in the Daily Record-Herald of Chicago, had tea alone, built fire in fire place. Mr. Chase came in, we talked and I read a Curtiss article to him and he later read two articles to me. I also read my sermon to him. The sitting room with fire is cheerful.

### Sunday, Sept. 11, 1910

Up about seven o'clock, took bath and dressed, made fire in cook stove, prepared coffee, oatmeal and had breakfast with shreaded biscuits. At tended church and assisted at 10:45, had dinner with Mr. Haslam, Greville was the cook, came home, spent the afternoon playing and singing, attended church at 7 p. m. also assisted there, had supper at Rectory, started home, heard alarm and saw fire in the village, rushed on to find a crowd at John Melvin's, where the buildings were on fire, buildings partly saved.

### Monday, Sept. 12. 1910

Up at half past seven, after bathing and dressing, prepared wash for laundry and had breakfast of coffee, oatmeal and remnants. Went over town to bank and store for provisions had dinner alone, took mower and cut my lawn all over and it looks fine.

Daliahs are very conspicuous, also Golden Glow and Sunflowers, the garden stuff also looks fine. Mr. Haslam came for tea and I had salad of lettuce and salmon, cucumbers and tomatoes, after tea Mr. Chase came in and we played five hundred till near twelve o'clock, both men have just gone and I am again alone.

### Tuesday, Sept. 13, 1910

Arose rather late, and had breakfast after usual preparations alone, had letter from Russell of her arrival in Oak Park and room in New Masonic Temple. After dinner I called on several parties at West Derry, talked with Miss Carrie MarGregor at her house, came home and rehearsed my part in lodge meeting, after tea went to lodge, initiated Eugene L. Campbell and gave lectures, the work went off well, attendance fair, all the officers and about a dozen others present. Came home in slight rain at half past ten o'clock.

#### Wednesday, Sept. 14, 1910

I was not up till near eight o'clock, making up sleep for last night's deprivations, breakfast and clean up kitchen, attend to mail and read the morning daily paper, around home all the forenoon, light dinner, another nap and go to town, read a little in public library, buy some bread and a squash pie, came home after making a few calls and talking with several people, had more elaborate supper, gather some wild flowers to stand on the sides of the door next the street. Mr. Chase comes in for the evening.

### Thursday, Sept. 15, 1910

Up at seven, breakfast and clean up, went to work immediately on sermon, it took about all day to write and correct it excepting the time spent at meals and going over town. In the evening Mr. Haslam came and with Mr. Chase we played five hund-

red till twenty minutes of midnight, Mr. Chase winning six games out of seven. The day has been beautiful Mrs. Geo. Pettee and a Mrs. Merrill came and borrowed my tent and furniture for sleeping out doors.

# Friday, Sept. 16, 1910

Up at seven, took bath, dressed and made fire, cooked oatmeal and coffee, cleared up dishes, went over town to both banks, talked up the situation of the Derry Mfg Co., clocks more hopeful of proper settlement and continuation of the business. came home, cooked potatoes and frankfurters, had a good dinner, spent the afternoon here, went to Rectory for supper with Mr. Chase, after tea played 500 with Miss Brent and others of the house. Came awa soon after eleven and am home with Mr. Chase at 11:45 p. m.

#### Saturday, Sept. 17, 1910

Another fine day, I was at West Derry in the forenoon, at printing office, bank and store, again in the afternoon at Wilson's, exchanging deed for mortgage on pond lot, bought some things for house. Mr. Haslam telephoned me that Bishop Brent will be here tomorrow. Jennie telephoned several times, wants me to come up and get some more pears while they are good. Mr. Chase came in and read the evening papers and talked, he has been to the city this evening. I am going to bed at half past ten.

### Sunday, Sept. 18, 1910

Up at 7:45 a. m., bath and dress, build fire and make coffee and oatmeal, ,go to church and take part in service. Bishop Brent was there and preached. Took dinner at Rectory. There were fifteen persons at dinner, two tables. Came home for the after-

noon. Mr. Haslam had afternoon service in Kilrea district at school house. I had supper alone at home, went to church and began service, Mr. Haslam being late in returning. After church came home. The day was fine and warm, the church services were well attended, especially in morning.

## Monday, Sept. 19, 1910

7:45 a. m. when I begun to dress, had breakfast ready rather late, spent the morning assorting papers and discarding the earlier ones, tidying up the shelves, etc. Dinner alone, wrote four postals for the mail, read papers. After supper begun the "Modern Chronicle," of Winston churchill, telephoned several times with Jennie. Had no callers all day, the day has been cold and damp, it is raining now in the evening, quite decided drop in temperature from yesterday and last night.

### Tuesday, Sept. 20, 1910

Up at seven this morning, attended to all the preliminaries and had breakfast before eight, read a Modern Chronicle till near twelve, got dinner over the fire, cleared up after, went to farm, traveled around the field to see if there are any Baldwin apples worth picking, the crop is very small this season, brought home a bag of pears and some flowers, after tea answered telephone several times once from Manchester, Rev. C. R. Bailey wants me to take his services the fifth Sunday in October and I have consented to give him that day.

# Wednesday, Sept. 21, 1910

Went to depot on 8:15 car, met N. H. Historical society, we took special to Chester, Jennie went with me. We were met by Amos Luck French, this was field day for the society. There were about sixty in the party, exercises in vestry of congregational church, dinner at the

hotel, afterwards went to Vanderbilt house and through the various rooms then to French house and through more rooms, came back to car 3 p. m., came on to village, all got out, looked at Mathew Thornton monument and went into house and through rooms, then to Pinkerton academy, back to car and home, had a fine day off.

# Thursday, Sept. 22, 1910

Up at seven, good cold bath, dressed, made fire, had coffee and rolled oats, wrote five pages on sermon, made warm dinner, partly vegetables and frankfurters, enjoyed the day, sunshine and flowers, went over town, heard Rev. C. R. Bailey had come to my house, came back and found him. Soon the Rev. George Haslam called and invited us to tea. I went with Rev. Mr. Bailey and Mr. Haslam to town, Mr. Bailey declined tea and went home. I took tea at Rectory, ,later Mrs. Tyson and her

daughter-in-law came, we played games till eleven, had supper and talked till quarter past twelve, then I walked to East Derry with the Tysons and came home at 1:30 a.m.

# Friday, Sept. 23, 1910

Up at seven, usual bath and dressing, coffee and rolled oats, bread and butter, do not care much for meat in the morning, started on sermon at sixth page, wrote till dinner, took a nap of thirty minutes, heard telephone and came down, Mrs. Taylor at Mrs. Hood's talking about a house. She afterward called to see if I would buy the Underhill place. I wrote till five o'clock, went to town for walk, bought angel cake, after supper I finished my sermon but it took metill eleven o'clock, I then read it over and am soon going to bed.

# Saturday, Sept. 24, 1910

Had breakfast about the usual time, postal from Russell locates her at Room 302, New Masonic Temple, Oak

Park, this she calls her studio. I went over town riding with Prof. G. W. Bingham, bought some things, paid dues to secretary of Derry Grange, Jerome's and mine up to Dec. 31, 1910. Home for dinner, walked around a little, very comfortable day, read my sermon over and punctuated more freely, read Churchman and Living Church, mailed the former to Mrs. MacMurphy. After supper read in the evening paper and in the Saturday Evening Post. Mrs. Gilbert called for Russell's address.

# Sunday, Sept. 25, 1910

Up at seven o'clock, usual preparations, breakfast and so forth, went to church, had the entire service and preached, took dinner with Mrs. Haslam, Miss Brent, Mrs. Brent and the three boys, came home for the afternoon, played and sang a little, sat out doors in the swing pleasantly warm, after a rainy night, little signs of the frost that came one night, dahlias

still in bloom on the lawn, went to church, after supper, had the entire service again and came back, read a little.

# Monday, Sept. 26, 1910

Another day of warmth and sunshine, the leaves are turning yellow and red, not with frost, but with ripeness. I went to bank and office. talked with several people over town. pought bread and rie all meals at home, spent considerable time reading, finished another book, sat in the swing on the lawn, saw many yellow birds picking the seeds off sunflowers in back yard, they were very skilful in hanging down upon the cover of the flowers and digging their beaks deep into the midst of the seeds. Read magazine after tea and talked with Mr. Chase.

# Tuesday, Sept. 27, 1910

Cloudy all day with occasional fall of rain, at home all day except going to the postoffice several times to post letters, spent considerable time in writing letters, long letters to friends, wrote Jerome that I am to be at home on Sunday to receive his visit, wrote cousin Harriet in Nebraska, wrote Dr. Huson in England, read the papers and about one hundred pages of a book a new novel, all meals at home and rather simple, kept fire all day as necessary to comfort as well as eating, am ready to go to bed about eleven o'clock.

# Wednesday, Sept. 28, 1910

Light rain in morning and cleared away to be very beautiful, the autumn leaves showing yellow and red in the maples, my dahlias still in bloom. All day at home, sat out doors in the afternoon with pen and ink, paper, table and chair, wrote a chapter in sermon. Walter Reed came and sat down with me to talk about mutual acquaintances of long ago. Went to Rectory for tea with Mr. Chase, at

table were Mr. Packer, Dr. and Mrs. Brent, Miss Brent, Mr. and Mrs. Haslam, their three sons and little Chas. Brent, we were there till half past eleven and came home.

# Thursday, Sept. 29, 1910

This has been a fine day, I went over town in the forenoon, met and talked with Mr. Tyson who was walking to recover his good health, after dinner I took pen and ink, paper and table, chair etc., out doors and sat in the sun writing, along came G. Waldo Browne of Manchester, publisher, I gave him an hour's time in which he read some copy of history to me for approval and notes. He is reprinting some of my articles once printed in Willey's Book of Nutfield. he is also to have some of my copper plates to go with the history. Rev. Haslam here for supper and games.

#### Friday, Sept. 30, 1910

Up at seven, beautiful day, after breakfast wrote on sermon till noon, telephoned several times with Jennie, the telephone company brought a new directory today, after dinner finished my sermon and corrected it by reading and pointing, after supper the Rev. Haslam and wife, Dr. Albert Brent and wife, came to spend the evening, we played 500 till after eleven, Mr. Chase provided ice cream and cake for all and we had a nice time. Mrs. Haslam played the piano and Mrs. Brent watched the game. Time to go to bed.

# Saturday, Oct. 1, 1910

Up at seven and went through usual ablutions and preparation for breakfast, was over town till noon, had dinner at home, lay down for nap and heard Jerome walk into the hall, he came on two o'clock car with horse and buggy from stable, we went

driving to the farm, to Pinkhams where we found Jennie, then round the square and to Morrison orchard, thence to Burnham farm and back by Beaver pond, we had supper together, the usual baked beans and brown bread, cocoa and ice cream.

## Sunday, Oct. 2, 1910

Prepared coffee, oatmeal, brown bread and baked beans for breakfast with Jerome, together we went to town and attended church, were invited to the Rectory and had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Haslam, their three sons at home and Dr. and Mrs. Brent and little son Charlie of Mahone Bay, N. S., visited a couple of hours and came home. We had tea at home, tomato soup, bread, butter, cake and apple sauce, after that we sat and talked, wrote, and read, the evening is cold enough for a fire in the hearth and that makes it cheerful in the long evenings coming now.

#### Mondaya Oct. 3, 1910 and Sec. 3

Up at half past five, prepared breakfast for six o'clock, Jerome ate and went away on the first car to Boston. Jennie came down at noon and had dinner with me, remaining till four o'clock. Rev. Mr. Haslam called and wanted me to walk with him. Dressed at five-forty and went to the Tyson's at East Derry for supper. Rev. and Mrs. Haslam there, Mr. and Mrs. Brent, Mrs. Clarke, Sylvia and Mrs. Pettee, we played games till ten o'clock, had more refreshments and conversation and came home at eleven o'clock.

# Tuesday, Oct. 4, 1910

After breakfast started writing on sermon. Jennie telephoned that Mr. MacGregor wanted to go to Nashua after dinner, I met him in town and induced him to put off going till tomorrow, when I agreed to go to the farm and stay over night with Mrs.

MacGregor, Mr. Haslam came for supper and Mr. Chase and I with him, played five hundred till quarter of eleven, they go to the fair at Brockton tomorrow to see the aviators perform. The day has been rather mild, no fire in fire place-tonight.

## Wednesday, Oct. 5, 1910

Mr. Chase and Mr. Haslam went off to Brockton Fair. I began writing soon after breakfast, the forenoon was warm, after dinner wrote some more, finished all but one chapter, received rent from 920 Park Ave., Racine, Wis., wrote letters to wife, daughter and daughter-in-law also to Mr. W. W. Rushton of Racine. After supper telephoned with Jennie, then go to West Derry for an evening service 7:30 p. m. expecting to go to the farm later and spend the night in the house with Jennie while her man is away in Nashua. Warm still at night.

# Thursday, Oct. 6, 1910

Took bath and dressed at the farm and had breakfast with Mrs. Macgregor, then came directly home, finished my sermon, read and punctuated more freely, reread and repeated it. After dinner went to bank, found cashier in cheerful mood. Jennie attended Grand Army meeting and relief Corps and had a supper. She went home and 'telephoned me that Mr. MacGregor had not appeared at meeting and is likely to remain at Nashua another night. I am to attend Mt. Nebo Council tonight and work S. E. M. degree on several candidates and after that I suppose I must go to the farm again.

# Friday, Oct. 7, 1910

Breakfast with Jennie, the mercury ran above 80 degrees yesterday and last night it was warm for bedding. Came down home at nine o'clock, read the morning mail, wrote a couple of letters, read sermon over again, had dinner alone. Frank Howe telephoned that he wanted to see me about having concrete walk at Masonic hall. I heard several times from Mrs. MacGregor, her husband came about five o'clock. I heard from him also on telephone, read evening paper, has been raining by spells today and the leaves are dropping from trees.

# Saturday, Oct. 8, 1910

The day is a perfect fall of colder weather. I was over town in the foremoon and again in the afternoon, did considerable reading, sitting by kitchen stove, made a beef stew for dinner with turnips, beets, carrots, potatoes and crackers, had it for supper also with satisfaction. Heard from Mrs. MacGregor several times, she has said that they might come in town for the winter and asked me to reserve my front chamber for her, etc., no severe frost yet, the dahlias

are blossoming in the yard and over town I saw a perfectly lovely garden of flowers none of them hurt by frost, at Dr. W. H. Nichols.

# Sunday, Oct. 9, 1910

Up at 7:20 a. m., bath, dress, breakfast, it began to rain, changed dress, for second best shoes and suit, went to church, conducted morning prayer and preached, vested choir sang well. limited to seven voices but augmented by congregation, dinner with Mrs. Haslam at Rectory, came home, a couple from Lynn called to be married, had license, were quite young. 19 years, called in Mr. and Mrs. Chas. M. Huntee to witness tie, attended evening prayer, small attendance in a rain, vested choir of four, came home at 8:20, read and write and go to bed.

# Monday, Oct. 10, 1910

Bright day but rather cool, remained around the house all the forenoon.

writing and reading. After dinner went over town merely for exercise of a physical nature. After returning set myself to learn ritual for next Thursday night, the Duston reunion occurs on Thursday and I want to attend, Mrs. MacGregor wants to attend, we may both go to Haverhill as last year but it will make a busy day for me. The frost holds off yet, my nasturtiums all in bloom and my big dahlias look well under the front windows, half past ten to bed.

# Tuesday, Oct. 11, 1910

Up at seven, take bath, dress and prepare coffee, rolled oats and fruit, wrote on sermon for next Sunday, after dinner went over town bought bread and jelly rolls, had Mr. Haslam here for tea and after tea, Mr. Chase Mr. Haslam and I played games until half past eleven, Mr. Haslam will go with me to Duston reunion on Thursday at Haverhill. Dr. Hill goes

to Denver, Col., with his family next Monday to live, his place as steward in the lodge will have to be filled, I must appoint one.

# Wednesday, Oct. 12, 1910

This is a legal holiday in Massachusetts, so given in honor of Columbus the discoverer of America. Some out of the state automobiles passed with flags of standard type. I took a little walk after finishing writing my sermon, all done but correcting, etc., I went up into the pasture back of Mr. Ring's house and looked over the site of the summer camp, tasted some common apples, picked up four Baldwin apples and brought them home and made a fine bowl of sauce, after supper intend to go to evening service at West Derry.

# Thursday, Oct. 13, 1910

Arose at 6:45 a.m., usual bathing and dressing and breakfast, went to station, met Jennie and Rev. Mr. Haslam and thence to Haverhill to attend reunion of Duston family and take dinner with about 100 members, thence to Andover, called on Fanny Clarke and Mrs. Anderson, talked about Otis and his death, was at his grave, came back from Andover at 4:10 p. m., Mr. Haslam came home with me for tea, after that we went to R. A. Chapter meeting, about thirty there, worked the R. A. degree on three candidates, Dr. Newell, Lawyer Russell and Fred Moore.

# Friday, Oct. 14, 1910

The garden looks bare, the elm trees are nearly bare, but my big maple is full of leaves and they are not turned brown. I went over town to the Davises and to the bank, all my meals at home, the day has been mild, in the evening Eugene L. Campbell came, paying six month's interest on his note and spending about two hours trying to read and learn the first lecture of the Mason's Ent-

ered Apprentice degree, heard from Jennie several times today and as late as nine o'clock tonight. She had automobile callers after supper, Miss Martha Nesmith and some of the Mac-Gregors.

# Saturday, Oct. 15, 1910

Spent all the morning ;at home, cooked a dish of beefsteak, salt pork, potatoes, turnips, carrots and beets, a regular old time boiled dish for dinner, after dinner walked up across lots to the farm and spent an hour with Jennie also paid her eighteen dollars, one half of the interest we got on the Eugene L. Campbell note, came home by way of the depot, it rained a little and there was some lightning and thunder, the weather being mild, at night read Evening Manuscript, Boston American and some ritual for lodge work.

# Sunday, Oct. 16, 1910:

Rather late dressing, heard from Jennie on telephone that she and Mr. MacGregor were likely to go to our services. I went to church, they were there for 10:45 a. m. Mr. Haslam preached, I was at Rectory for dinner, came home, sat out doors till near sundown the weather being fine. Attended evening church and afterward had supper at Rectory with Mrs. Colby, her sister, Miss Bumpas, of New York, Mr. Packer and he Haslams, Mr. Packer remained after supper till eleven o'clock talking over the situation of the town, slack business, poor rents, hard times for church dues.

# Monday, Oct. 17, 1910

There was a white frost on the grass this morning, but it soon came warm and remained warm till after sunset. I went over town in the afternoon and made some payments of in-

surance, three policies, came home and went again to postoffice for evening paper. At tea time Mr. Haslam came in as I was eating and had supper with me, afterward staying to play five hundred with Mr. Chase and me, we never stake anything, not even the smallest matter, he has just gone.

# Tuesday, Oct. 18, 1910

The night was cool but not freezing and the sun came out warm and smiling on the colored foliage of the big maple by the door. I was over town in the afternoon, telephoned with several parties, Jennie, the Haslams and Moody at the shoeshop. After supper attended the stated meeting of the lodge, not much done, exs cept to make some arrangements for an illustrated lecture by George N. Cross, a Master Mason on the history of Masonry, the Chapter and lodge, together, meet expenses of lecture and hall, home early and take up a little reading.

# Wednesday, Oct. 19, 1910

Comfortable night and warm day, sunshine all day and full moon at night, not much doing, helped Mr. Packer and Rev. Haslam renew their church note, paying interest and a little on principal now \$332, the Rev. J. H. Nichols wife died in hospital this morning after surgical operation to remove abscess from bowels. Mr. Haslam was here in afternoon and I was at Rectory for tea with the family, afterwards Mr. and Mrs. Haslam and myself had three hand game. Mr. Haslam will go to Eastern Star meeting with me on Friday.

# Thursday, Oct. 20, 1910

Comfortable morning but cloudy with signs of storm, weather signals all along the coast to warn vessels and fishers. Wrote on sermon most of the day, heard from Jennie by telephone. Mr. Ranney called to inquire if I was intending to buy the Gibson

place next door, the Hoods would like the land but do not care for the buildings, at night Mr. Chase and I went to Rectory and played games with Mr. Haslam and son Brent till eleven, then partook of an oyster stew, cake, etc., came home at quarter of twelve.

## Friday, Oct. 21, 1910

Finished writing my sermon, read and put in more punctuation marks. read aloud and rapidly in eighteen minutes thirty six pages, heard by telephone from Rev. Charles R. Bailey that he wants me to preach for him on the night of All Saints as well as twice on Sunday next preceding, dressed and went over to Rectory at seven, escorted Mrs. Haslam to entertainment and supper of Order of the Eastern Star. Mr. and Mrs. MacGregor came down. I have just returned at midnight, we are to have Cross lecture on Masonry with slides November 8th next.

# Saturday, Oct. 22, 1910

Was over town twice today at Derry Enterprise and got manuscript sermon after printing, ordered association hall for lecture by George N. Cross, read some in Saturday Evening Post, read American, wrote a little, had lamb stew for dinner, it looks desolate out side raining, leaves off the trees, ground covered with them. Mr. Chase heard Roosevelt in Manchester today, thought him great. Mrs. Nichols buried today, wife of Baptist minister, heard from Jennie, she got up late this morning after last night's dissipation at Eastern Star. Expect to be busy tomorrow.

# Sunday, Oct. 23, 1910

Rainy night and as late as six o'clock, side walks wet, and occasional
showers, went to church, gave service
and preached at 10:45, opened Sunday School and taught Bible class,
then had dinner at Rectory, came
home at half past two, wrote letters

to Mrs. MacMurphy and to Russell, read some, attended and conducted evening service at seven, it continued to rain in the afternoon and walks were wet tonight, came home at half past eight, may write and read a little before going to bed.

# Monday, Oct. 24, 1910

The day began bright and clear. Mrs. Hall and a Mrs. Richardson. from Minneapolis called to use telephone and talk of the relatives the Choates. Cut the remainder of my corn and brought it into the shed. Dorothy Spratt and Eva Benson want to come here for rooms, so do other people. I must decide soon, met Mrs. Taylor and she wants to come. wrote wife that she had best decide soon about the winter residence. Heard from Jennie, in fact the telephone has been busy all day. Mr. Russell came in at night to make out a deed of Tewksbury place. Mr: Chase came down to witness deed to Harry W. Wilson.

### Tuesday, Oct. 25, 1910

Cloudy morning, rather cheerless. inside and out, wrote five pages on sermon, read the morning paper, talked with Jennie, decided to go to Londonderry in the afternoon, we went on the 2:35 car, made visit with Roxanna and her two children and grandchild, Marion Perkins. There were three other people at Perkins' calling at the same time. Enjoyed the afternoon and came away about five o'clock. It began to rain when we reached Derry. Mr. MacGregor met Jennie at the car. I came home in rain, believe they attended the Grange, being an extra occasion.

# Wednesday, Oct. 26, 1910

Up at seven, usual preparations before breakfast, after read morning mail, went over town, bought meat, grapes, pie, cake, and other things, after dinner gathered my turnips. about half a bushel and part of my carrots, also my dahlia bulbs and connas, after tea went to church and rectory for talk with Mr. Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Haslam about all Hallowe'en entertainment, quite a program, witches, children, dress, tableaux, games singing and other music, funny costumes, etc., came home at half past ten, too late to build up fire and read.

# Thursday, Oct. 27, 1910

Spent a good part of the day writing on a sermon, the day has been cool with some clouds and two or three flurries of snow, not enough to leave a trace of white on the ground. I brought in the rest of my carrots and the beets and put them in the cellar. Jennie telephoned, Mr. Haslam telephoned. McClure's November magazine came today. A Mr. Briggs called to try and induce me to take bonds in a lumber speculation in Vancouver. It is raining a

little at night and rather quiet on the street and in the house.

# Friday, Oct. 28, 1910

Heard from Jennie before she had breakfast. Mr. MacGregor got away quite early to his office and she is up when she likes. I was over town in the morning found a set of Victor Hugo for me at American Express. brought several things for the house. In the afternoon I took a walk through the woods to Forest Hill cemetery, went all over it to the end of the addition, many new stones up, a great display of flowers on the grave of Mrs. Nichols, wife of Baptist Minister, buried early this week. came home through the woods, picked up some chestnuts.

# Saturday, Oct. 29, 1910

After breakfast I went over town and on to the Gustins, where I got interest on mortgage, the forenoon was fine, cool enough for my overcoat, there was a white frost on the grass at sunrise, I spent most of the day at home reading papers and magazines, telephoning with Jennie and others, heard that way from Mr. MacGregor, he is ready to come down as soon as the lady is willing and take a room for a while in this house, this evening is chilly and I must have a fire in the boiler before long and make steam.

# Sunday, Oct. 30, 1910

Up at seven, took bath, dressed and prepared breakfast, went to depot, took 9:35 car for city, conducted morning prayer and preached at 10.45 opened Sunday school and closed the same, took dinner at La Flammes on Hanover Street, walked about the parks, smoked and sat in Manchester House till night, conducted evening service and preached at 6:30 p. m., came to Derry at 9:30, met by Brent and Cummings Has¹am, went

to Rectory, had supper and talked till eleven o'clock, came home to cold house and am now going to bed.

# Monday, Oct. 31, 1910

A little before noon I took a gun and some cartridges and went up to the farm. Jennie was at dinner and I ate a boiled dish with her and a piece of apple pie, then went to the woods, saw a gray squirrel in the oak grove and heard another traveled to the end of the lot crossing the electric road, started up seven partridges, picked up some good apples, very clear of worms or woody fibre. A rabbit jumped up ten feet away and ran. came home, after tea attended Hallowe'en party, there was more than could be seated, a good program.

# Tuesday, Nov. 1, 1910

Up at seven, took cold bath, dressed, and went to church service for the feast of All Saints, had break-

fast with the Haslams. Mr. Haslam came home with me. I built up a fire in the kitchen stove, then I went with him and called on the Gilmans and on Mrs. Tewkbury, just recovering from an attack of double pneumonia and Mrs. Harris daughter, came back and found it was time for dinner. Spent the afternoon at home, at half past five took car for city, thence to St. Andrew's, conducted evening service and preached, back to Derry at 9:30 to Rectory and home.

# Wednesday, Nov. 2, 1910

Attended annual meeting of Church of the Transfiguration, this evening, Rev. Mr. Haslam in the chair, report of treasurer showed balance in hand also woman guild and auxiliary, choir and Sunday school in good condition. Elected Edward G. Powell and E. T. Nichol as delegates, myself Senior Warden, Louis M. Packer, Junior Warden, Mr. Stewart, clerk, S. H. Bell, treasurer, Bond, Nichol,

Cummings, Haslam and Packer totythers, a choir boy to help present, approved of beginning a Girl's Friendly Society and St. Andews Brotherhood, had some sweet cider at Rectory given by Mr. Tyson. Came home in rain.

# Thurday, Nov. 3, 1910

This has been a wet day, I ordered by telephone two cords of hard wood, one load to be split, the wood arrived after dinner and was put in the barn. fairly dry. Jennie telephoned two or three times to fill up the day, at night I attended the Masonic council and substituted for the Captain of the Guard, the regular officer being absent. Made some arrangements for visitation of Chapter next week with work of R. R. A. degree and a banquet at the hall, probably Hildreth. Wrote two sections on my sermon and read the papers today. Rather dull however.

## Friday, Nov. 4, 1910

The day has been wet, some rain falling about every hour in the day, a telephone called me to the bank with other directors to answer the inquiries of the bank inspector, Mr. Bean. I went at half past eleven, others were Copp, Holmes, Young. We must have more frequent meetings and attend to loans and business. I wrote on sermon a good part of the day. Heard from Jennie several times. Heard from Couch and Chase, talked of lecture at hall next Tuesday and appointment of ushers etc.

# Saturday, Nov. 5, 1910

Rather busy day, went over town and attended to some business, walked back with Mr. MacGregor, met Mrs. Peterson who wanted to borrow a hundred dollars for her mother, Mrs. Meyers. Mr. Moody called and paid fifteen dollars interest on his mother's note, Mrs. Villeux and sister

called. She wants to get fifty dollars to move to Danvers, Mass., to be with her husband who cannot get work in Derry shoeshops. Ate two raw lemons today for relief of cold feet and heated head, sermon finished and ready for press. Weather settled.

# Sunday, Nov. 7, 1910

This has been a coof day with sunshine. In the forenoon I went to town and called at the bank and upon the selectmen about some concrete walks at the Masons' hall. In the afternoon I went to town and saw Wilson about a deed of place in Londonderry that he is to have. I also went to meeting of directors of First National Bank, signed some papers, later attended meeting of trustees of Savings Bank and passed upon a loan of money. Came home for the evening, heard from Jennie that she was in Manchester this afternoon.

# Monday, Nov. 7, 1910

This is a rather cool day, I went over town on business, saw Mrs. Villeaux, urged her not to move out of town, but look for better times. Went to town meeting, voted straight democratic ticket for governor and all the other officers, understand whole number of ballots cast today was 945, perhaps the largest in the history of the town. Attended illustrated lecture by Prof. George N. Cross about one hundred and twentyfive present, subject history of Freemasonry, accepted invitation to be guest of Mrs. H. F. Hill at Concord at Convention three days next week, am nursing a cold a little but going out steadily.

# Tuesday, Nov. 8, 1910

Mrs. Gilman called after breakfast with a rug made by Mrs. Thomas and wanted to sell it for six dollars to help her, it is fine and I bought it. Democrats carried the town in every office yesterday, 945 votes were cast. I went over town and attended to business. An agent, Mr. Wallace, spent an hour trying to sell stock to me. Mr. Haslam was here for supper and remained until after ten o'clock talking convention and Masonry. Mr. Gilman came in and spent an hour talking with us about poultry and fancy birds of high price.

#### Wednesday, Nov. 9, 1910

Spent most of the day at home, wrote one section on sermon, telephoned to a number of people about work tonight. Visitation of Chapter by R. E. Grand Scribe, High Priest of Mt. Horeb and companion Sanborn. I worked the R. A. degree on Fred W. Powell, Ralph H. Angell and Charles A. Sefton. Elmer D. Goodwin of Grand Chapter inspected Bell R. A. Chapter tonight and complimented the officers generally, we had banquet or chicken supper at

Hildreth for twenty six companions who stayed to the end about half past eleven, very dark out, wet outside.

### Thursday, Nov. 10, 1910

Wrote on sermon in the forenoon finishing four sections of twenty pages. Went to town in afternoon, paid premium on policy for fire insurance on this house, arranged to get at 11-2 per cent for 3 years on my old MacMurphy house, next beyond Jennie. Jennie was in town today. The day has been mild, yet I have kept up the fire in the steam boiler in cellar ever since started. Mr. Chase came in for a few minutes and talked about last night's visitation of Chapter. Everything went off in military order for precision.

### Friday, Nov. 11, 1910

Spent morning at home, read papers and mail. After dinner walked to town and up the track to the farm, took a wheelbarrow, bag and basket and went to the orchard in the woods, the old sheep pasture, Mrs. MacGregor going along with me, we picked about one bushel of apples and she got some evergreen, a little flurry of snow was in the air, we came back to the farm about five o'clock, found Mr. MacGregor had come home for tea. I had tea with them, baked beans, pie, cake, etc., then after a little conversation, I came home reaching here about seven.

### Saturday, Nov. 12, 1910

White frost over all the ground this morning, just heard from Mr. Haslam and he wants me to go to Milford and Wilton next Sunday for services. He is a busy man, but has a cold, like everybody else just now myself included. I am going to see him about one o'clock at Rectory, then take the 1:35 car for Manchester and thence to Concord to attend the

Diocesan Convention of three days session and be the guest while in Concord of the Rev. and Mrs. Howard F. Hill and expect to write up the rest of this diary on returning.

### Sunday, Nov. 13, 1910

Jennie telephoned early that she and husband might go to Christian Science meeting, and they did attend, then I went to our church, conducted service and preached at 10:45, remained to open and close Sunday school and heard Bible Class. Went to Rectory for dinner, Mrs. Olive B. Lee was there also for dinner. I came home at three o'clock, sang and played for an hour. Attended evening service at seven, came home and spent another hour at music singing all the time and playing the other part.

## Monday, Nov. 14, 1910

Went to Manchester on 1:35 car, took 2:35 car for Concord, thence to

69 South Main St., found Rev. H. F. Hill and wife there, had tea with them, attended Missionary meeting in St. Paul's Church with Mrs. Hill, came back to her house sat up till midnight with him talking of various old times, college, etc., he was of Dartmouth, 1867 class, he brought out some drink and cigars for entertainment and told innumerable stories of personal experiences in Ministry and Alderman meetings, he is one of the Aldermen of Concord.

#### Tuesday, Nov. 15, 1910

Slept at the Hills, the darky cook had breakfast early, Mrs. Hill started for New York to visit her only daughter and her two children of 8 and 10 years. I went to Convention, had dinner in parish house, two hundred and more at dinner, continued at convention. Rev. and Mrs. Haslam arrived and E. T. Nichol, of Derry, we had supper in the parish house and observed fortieth anniver—

sary of Bishop Niles' consecration with letters and speaches and donations, broke up at half past ten. I returned to the Hills' sat up and talked again till midnight.

#### Wednesday, Nov. 16, 1910

Attended early celebration at St. Paul's, about two hundred received at half past seven service. Bishop Parker was celebrant with Mr. Brine, gospeller and another priest epistoler, had breakfast in parish house, attended convention, heard both bishops addresses, had dinner in parish house at one o'clock, came back to Hill's, got my dress suit case, took 2:07 car for Manchester, thence 3:30 car for Derry, thence by 4:30 car to village and to my house, found much mail letters and papers, built up the fire.

### Thursday, Nov. 17, 1910

Heard from Jennie by telephone several times. She wants to have dinner with me on Thanksgiving, her husband too. I went over town with deed to Tewksbury place and received payment in full enough to pay this year's taxes nearly four hundred dollars coming back wrote a section of sermon, it did not go freely, read the papers and kept up steam heat in a rather cold day, the fire had to be rebuilt at nine o'clock tonight, the coal was not burned to ashes but remained dead and lifeless, windy and cold tonight.

#### Friday, Nov. 18, 1910

Finished sermon about five o'clock, but in the forenoon I was away at the depot. Have done considerable reading through the day and evening. Kept up steam heat, cooked meals, etc. Mr. Haslam called about five o'clock and spent an hour with me, afterward going to supper at East Derry to meet with the Tysons. Jerome and Mabe! wrote invitation for me to take a vacation and come

to them for the Thanksgiving dinner. Run up to the old home at Racine. I still have two houses there in one of which Jerome was born.

## Saturday, Nov. 19, 1910

Heard by letter from George E. Chickering administrator to Otis, this morning, his wife is sick with Typhoid fever at their summer home in Gloucester, Mass., he has some things yet to sell and gives me a list. I am going to the railway station and take cars for Nashua and Milford. I expect to arrive in Milford this afternoon in time for supper at the Endicott house. I am not very much pleased with the trip as I cannot leave fire enough to last twenty-four hours, and cannot return conveniently until Monday noon. I am to preach at the Church of our Saviour.

## Sunday, Nov. 20, 1910

Arrived at Milford at 5:45, went to Endicott house, had supper and slept there, breakfast this morning, conducted service and preached at 10:45 a. m., about twelve in vested choir and only as many more in the nave. Had dinner at Endicott and spent the afternoon partly with Dr. Eugene Wason at the club rooms, afterward took a walk to the top of a high hill on the north side of the village, had tea at six o'clock and gave evening service at 6:45, walked about the streets before going back to hotel, then had a long talk with a traveling agent for soaps.

### Monday, Nov. 21, 1910

Slept at the Endicott and had breakfast at 7 a. m., good meals there and good accommodations, took the 7:54 train for Nashua, thence on electrics at 9 o'clock for Goffs Falls, thence to Derry, left my sermon at printing office, bought meat and grapes and a pie, came home, cooked a boiled dinner, had callers, Mr. Ranney to talk of buying the place

next to me, Gibson place, Miss Emily Hall, she was here some time, talked by telephone with Jennie and Mrs. Herrick, Mrs. Peter Brunelle and Miss Moquin here, after tea Mr. Haslam and Mr. Chase and we played five hundred till 11:40 p. m.

#### Tuesday, Nov. 22, 1910

This has been a dull, wet day. In the forenoon I brought windows and batting from the barn, and set up the storm protection of the front piazza, eight windows to be set with screws and a door. There is no great benefit beyond a dry place to come into from the street before opening into the hall. I read some, particularly the daily papers, much about Count Tolstov's last weeks and death away from his home clinging to Christian teaching and not reconciled to the church.

### Wednesday, Nov. 23, 1910

Went over town in the morning, bought chicken, salt pork, celery, bread, custard pie, squash pie, rasin pie, oranges and nuts and candy for tomorrow, decided to have Thanksgiving at home and have Mr. and Mrs. MacGregor come down early and help to cook the chicken, telephoned accordingly and both agreed to the arrangements. I wrote on sermon all the rest of the day and have thirty pages done but it is now after half past eleven and I am going to quit and go to bed, the day has been mild and mostly clear.

### Thursday, Nov. 24, 1910

Mr. and Mrs. MacGregor came down in the morning to spend Thanksgiving day with me, Jennie helped to get the dinner cooked and on the table, we had a full dinner in courses and gave thanks heartily. In the afternoon sang and played piano and flute joining in concert. They

were here till nearly four and then went home. Mr. Chase came in and spent the evening talking and reading. The steam heater did good service, but the day was not cold, some sunshine and some cloud.

## Friday, Nov. 25, 1910

Remained at home about all day, telephoned Mrs. James H. Weston that I would give five dollars and Mr. Chase probably as much more toward the district nurse. Sent check to Daniel G. Annis, \$91.87 for Londonderry taxes of myself and Jennie. Wrote a letter to Jerome and one to Mabel, answered Geo, I. McAllister on telephone that I may be able to attend the Dartmouth Alumni banquet in Manchester next Wednesday night, plates three dollars. The President of the college to be there and speak, also Prof. C. F. Richardson and other men.

#### Saturday, Nov. 26, 1910

Wrote Mrs. MacMurphy, Russell, Jerome and Mabel, and also to Miss Susan M. Smith, George I. McAllister, etc. Accepted invitation to attend Dartmouth Reception and banquet at Manchester next Wednesday night. read and pointed my sermon, heard from Jennie several times by telephone, kept up steam heat, ate of the chicken twice today, the pies and other good things came in handy after a feast day. Mr. Chase spent the evening with me, cold weather outside but very cheerful and comfortable within.

## Sunday, Nov. 27, 1910

Left the steam heat on draught and went to church, conducted services and preached at 10:45 a. m., took lunch with Brent and Cummings Haslam, all the rest of the family away, spent the afternoon at home not doing much, went to church in evening

rather cool not many attended service. Mrs. Haslam being in New York, Mr. Powell played the organ, both morning and evening and at opening and closing Sunday school. Brent Haslam played, came home at eight to look after fires, ate some crackers and milk, read some, wrote some and went to bed early.

## Monday, Nov. 28, 1910

Spent the forenoon at home, read the morning papers. After dinner walked to town, got some rent, gave Jennie receipts for Londonderry taxes and she paid me part of the money, \$28.30, talked an hour on various things, moving down here for the winter, leaving the house, etc., came home, met Mr. MacGregor on the way, he wants to come here as soon as she is ready. Mr. Chase came in and we talked till bed time about changes at the Academy. Mr. Merriam's resignation and the common gossip.

## Tuesday, Nov. 29, 1910

There has been a falling of damp snow all day and it had dripped from the roof, the melting has gone on so fast that there is not above two inches of snow on the ground at night? I gave some time to answering telephones, Jennie among others, wrote twenty pages on sermon which is unusual so early in the week, got the weekly Enterprise with my last Sunday's sermon printed in clear type, about three columns, the printers do excellent work on my weekly sermons, errors are very few, over three years and half printing.

## Wednesday, Nov. 30, 1910

Remained around home till nearly six o'clock at night, took a car for station with Prof. C. S. Campbell and thence to Manchester. Attended Dartmouth Alumni banquet in the Derryfield Club rooms. About one hundred present, Pres. Nichols there, Prof.

C. F. Richardson and other big men, the Gov. of N. H., Henry Quimby, Senator H. E. Barnham, Judge Peasley, the Dartmouth Mandolin Club and singers, Judge Cross and Grand Master Edwin F. Jones, introduces speakers, we left at eleven o'clock, got home past midnight.

## Thursday, Dec. 1, 1910

Went over town and paid my Derry taxes to John E. Webster, collector. \$179.32 and afterward paid plumbing bills of \$25.10, collected rent of Moore, made deposit at bank, talked with cashier. James H. Weston about improvement in business. At night attend Mt. Nebo Councel R. and S. M., filled choir of C. of C. work, short session talked a while after meeting with companions, came home with Mr. Chase and we sat and talked and read papers on trial now going on in Boston. Snow remains on the ground but I wore no rubbers over town.

#### Friday, Dec. 2, 1910

Left Derry on 1:35 car, reached Concord at 4 p. m., entered Phoenix Hall, attended business session of Bektash Temple, 35 candidates were ballotted for and passed, went to Masonic banquet hall and had supper, a large number there, six or eight hundred to feed, returned to Phoenix Hall, saw the ceremonial initiation of candidates and the spendid work done under Potentate Elmer D. Goodwin, left Concord at 9:07 for Manchester and left Manchester for Derry at eleven o'clock, reached here by Mrs. Shepard's kindness at 12:00.

## Saturday, Dec. 3, 1910

Went over town after dinner for supplies, met Jennie and we went to Mr. MacGregor's studio on Maple street, spent a few minutes, came back to library, looked over the magazines and I then bought some things for eating over Sunday. Brent called me up on telephone to say his uncle-

is here from Mahone Bay, N. S., Dr. Albert Brent and that his father expects to see me tomorrow, read and talked with Mr. Chase in the evening, expected coal which has not come, short supply for 48 hours, am going to bed earlier than last night.

### Sunday, Dec. 4, 1910

Nearly eight when I went to bathroom, after breakfast left the fires adjusted for a few hours and went to church 10:45. Mrs. Haslam's brother of Mahone Bay, N. S., Dr. Albert Brent was at service, I went to dinner with him and Rev. and Mrs. Haslam at the Rectory. Mr. Haslam went to Kilrea district for services at 3 p. m., 74 persons attended a school house meeting. I came home at three for the rest of the day, not going to evening church, heard from Jennie by telephone.

## Monday, December 5, 1910

Dressed at seven with bath as usual, had breakfast, telephoned for

coal, kept a wood fire in furnace, after dinner went to town stirred up Holmes & Wheeler to hurry over a load of coal. Attended board of directors' meeting of bank at 3:30 p. m., attended board of Trustees' meeting of savings department four to five, came home, found coal in cellar, built up a good fire, after supper Dr. Brent and Rev. Haslam came, Mr. Chase joined us and we played five hundred till twenty minutes of twelve. They went off and I am getting ready for bed.

## Tuesday, Dec. 6, 1910

The day has been cold, I spent most of it at home, read the papers and wrote fifteen pages on sermon, heard from Jennie several times, cooked a boiled dinner, beef, pork, turnips and potatoes. In the evening Mr. Chase and I went to the Rectory, spent the time till twenty minutes past eleven playing five hundred, Rev. Haslam and Mr. Chase against Dr. Brent and

myself, our side won the honors by large scores, after that we sat down with Mrs. Haslam to an oyster stew and ginger ale of the Lafayette spring Company's manufacture.

# Wednesday, Dec. 7, 1910

Wrote on sermon much of the day and tended fire in steam boiler, the weather is cold, and coal burns freely in wind, the wind also draws heat from the house, deed for signatures came from Racine today, pretty quick work as it was Saturday last that I sent my consent to sale. Letter from Dartmouth that new catalogue will be out this year, bound in cloth, \$1.50 or paper \$1.00. All graduates included and some sketch of each. Bought ticket to sociable at Central Church of a little girl at the door. Heard from Jennie, Mr. MacGregor had chicken pie at church dinner today.

#### Thursday, Dec. 8, 1910

The cold weather continues. I worked on various tasks today, executed deed of Racine lots, sent abstract of title to my agent, paid for printing, got manuscript of sermon back, finished sermon for next Sunday, read it over aloud in twenty minutes, at night attended R. A. Chapter; worked M. M. Masons' degree on Perley D. Sawyer and Prof. E. R. Angell, Attendance pretty good, outside walls of lodge room pretty cold. came home about eleven, house fairly comfortable, going to bed right away for the sake of resting up for the next hard work.

### Friday, Dec. 9, 1910

Remained around the house in the forenoon, the day began cold, had to keep fire up in strong force to drive out the frost, heard from Jennie several times. In afternoon went over town, paid some bills, made deposit at bank, bought some things for

kitchen use, cooking vessels, etc., fired up extra at night warming the whole house, Mr. Chase and I sat in the front room till nine o'clock. I read my sermon to him. Played the piano with telephone open for Jennie and Mr. MacGregor to hear, am thinking of going to bed early as there is nothing to do.

#### Saturday, Dec. 10, 1910

Wrote a few letters, read the papers, tended fires, telephoned to North Londonderry, got Eugene L. Campbell on the line, found out he would be ready to work next Tuesday at lodge, found J. B. Bartlett had given notices of stated meeting and M. M. degree, found Dr. Chas, Newell and told him to prepare oyster stew for the night, asked L. W. Russell to act with the doctor as Junior Steward, bought provisions for Sunday, had brown bread and baked beans for supper, New England style. Mr. Chase came in and talked till ten o'clock, ready for bed.

## Sunday, Dec. 11, 1910

About 4:45 this morning I heard a noise that awoke me, soon I heard Mr Chase rush down stairs and out doors slaming the doors after him. then I heard the clock strike five and wondered what started him out so early, looking out the window I saw the sky all lighted up, and rushed to the front of the house where I saw the Chase factory all in flames, it quickly burned to the ground with the saw mill across beaver brook full of lumber. I found the morning very cold, went to church, preached 10:45 opened Sunday school 12:15, took dinner with Dr. Brent and Mrs. Haslam, read evening prayer at 6:30 p. m.

#### Monday, Dec. 12, 1910

Heard from wife today, she wants one third of proceeds of sale of lots in Racine put in Derry Savings bank in her name and I acceeded to the request. Mr. Chase at work already on the mill for reeds, ribs and labels. I walked to town and back in afternoon. Kept up steam heat but today has not been as cold as the last ten days. Considerable mail comes through the post office, much advertising of every kind of goods. Heard from Jennie several times, she is not yet ready to move into the village, the shortest afternoons are already here.

## Tuesday, Dec. 13, 1910

Another rather cold day has passed, I spent the morning at home telephoning to make arrangements for the brethren to take the parts in work at lodge tonight, in afternoon I went over town and attended to some business, after supper went to lodge, worked Master Mason's degree on Eugene L. Campbell, the work went off finely as we were told at the banquet. Judge Emery of Auburn spoke, William Clark P. M. also spoke and Prof. Angell, Dr. Newell and

lawyer Russell gave us the feed, assisted by brother Anderson and Purington of Chester, the attendance was about thirty one or two, at home half past eleven.

#### Wednesday, Dec. 14, 1910

Spent the forenoon at home reading papers and sorting letters to be kept Dr. Brent and Rev. Haslam called and spent an hour about noon. Jennie came in the afternoon and remained till three forty and took a car to West Derry and home. At night I took tea at the Rectory, attended evening service 7:30 p. m. Mr. Packer came in and Dr. Brent and I played against Mr. Packer and Rev. Haslam till 10:40, then Mrs. Haslam gave us oyster stew and ginger pop of Derry Co., left there at eleven, came home about half past eleven, rooms found warm.

### Thursday, Dec. 15, 1910

Spent the day mainly at home, some snow fell, wind came up at

evening after supper I made up twenty ham sandwiches with a little mustard, made cocoa drink hot, had white grapes, nuts from California, candy, etc. Dr. Albert Brent and Rev. George E. Haslam came and with Charles Chase, we played five hundred till eleven o'clock at that time the telephone rang and Mrs. Carrie Pettee said there was fire about the Chase Mill, this fire has been going ever since Sunday morning. Mr. Chase went there but could do nothing. We ate the refreshments.

#### Friday, Dec. 16, 1910

Zero weather, but bright sun, harsh wind, took much of my time to feed the furnace and kitchen stove and get three meals. I did do some things, wrote ten pages on sermon, wrote a letter, went over town for meat, and the manuscript of sermon at printers. Some fine ice in the sink much of the time in spite of the presence of steam radiator in sinkroom, twelve

radiators take a lot of steam and it condenses very fast on a windy day like this. May sit up late to keep up the steam and save freezing.

#### Saturday, Dec. 17, 1910

Late getting up but took a bath as usual, and Iooked after the fires. After breakfast I set myself to finishing my sermon, reading over aloud and making corrections. After dinner received a letter from my agent in Racine containing draft for \$1,198.50 and wrote acknowledgement for next mail, then I went to postoffice and over to West Derry, got some baked beans, came home and Iooked after the fires till bed time, not quite as cold as yesterday but there has been steady freezing day and night for two entire weeks.

#### Sunday, Dec. 18, 1910

Attended church and Sunday school, came away. Cummings Haslam followed and overtook me to invite me back to dinner at Rectory, refused, came on, Brent Haslam overtook me later and urged me back to dinner, I declined on account of cold and the need of attention to my water pipes lest they freeze, so I came home to dine, found fires in good state, weather milder, had beef stew for dinner with rice pudding and coffee, spent the rest of the day in library, wrote to wife, daughter, son and his wife, four letters, each four pages in length.

#### Monday, Dec. 19, 1910

After breakfast went to the bank and deposited \$1,198.50, paid up a \$1000 note made one for \$500., went to the other bank, paid up \$700. and made one for \$500 and put \$400. in savings for my wife, in her name. After dinner went over town again, the day was mild and slippery with thaw, so I plumpted down on the first step out of the house on the cement walk. After supper Rev. Has-

lam and Dr. Brent came, Mr. Chase joined us in playing till 11:20, then we had sandwiches, cocoa, nuts and grapes, and they started for home at 11:45 p. m.

Tuesday, Dec. 20, 1910

Spent the morning at home, wrote ten pages on Christmas sermon, my last Sunday's sermon by mistake was carried to Boston in the mail and did not get back to printing office till today, so it must wait for the next issue of paper on Friday. I went to town and back in the afternoon. After supper Mr. Chase and I went to the Rectory and played with the Rev. Haslam and Dr. Brent till eleven o'clock, then sat down to an oyster stew prepared by Mrs. Haslam and the boys, came home about midnight.

#### Wednesday, Dec. 21, 1910

Snow fell in the night and at intervals all day, the wind is arising at night to move it about. I spent the day at home. Storeman called twice

and fruit man, bought two boxes of shredded wheat and a dozen sweet oranges. Wrote about all day on sermon and finished it about half past five, read it over aloud, the corrections to be made at another time. Had three regular meals, cooked rice with dinner. Mr. MacGregor has gone to Nashua and I am to go to the farm tonight to stay with Jennie, walking in the snow will be disagreeable, to start about eight.

#### Thursday, Dec. 22, 1910

Drifted snow made my trip to farm laborious last night and not much better returning this morning. Found furnace going, spent morning in cooking cranberries, apples, fish hash, sweet potatoes and reading the papers. In afternoon wrote eleven postal cards with Christmas designs on one side. I am arranging to have a good fire in the steam boiler and start for the farm again about eight o'clock. It is very dark and

quite as cold as last night but no snow falling or blowing to make it unpleasant.

#### Friday, Dec. 23, 1910

Came down from the farm this morning, cold weather, traveling pretty good, found heat in library and dining room, fire in steam heater easily set to work on new coal. All day the heat has been good from that supply and now at eight o'clock I am not sure whether more is needed for the night. I shall be at home tonight. instead of walking a mile and a half to the farm. I wrote a dozen postal cards today, I also went to West Derry and laid in three new pies, custard, squash and raisin, sampled all these at supper time and found them fresh and good.

### Saturday, Dec. 24, 1910

Raining this morning, no need of steam heat to keep water pipes from freezing. A month of freezing weather has passed. I am at home all day, wrote eighteen postal cards full for classmates of Nashotah and nearby mates. Received some more Christmas cards, spent some time on news of the day, went to Mrs. Johns for rent, she was not at home but heard she was prepared to pay something. Heard from Jennie once today, her man went to his studio at seven o'clock, he is up by five o'clock, an early riser for sixty eight years.

#### Sunday, Dec. 25, 1910

There was no fire in the steam heater yesterday and I did not think it was necessary to build one this morning. Had my breakfast and went to church, Mr. C. B. Chase went with me. I gave the service and preached communion also, made fair number present, then Mr. Chase and I had a great Christmas dinner at the Rectory, turkey with oysters, boiled ham, tomatoes, potatoes, plum pudding, burnt brandy over it, nuts, raising

candy and coffee. I came home. Mr. Chase. Dr. Brent and Mrs. Haslam went to Manchester to hear cantata of choir at Grace Church. The day has been fine.

#### Monday, Dec. 26, 1910

Up at quarter past seven, attended to fires and had breakfast, remained at home all day. This is the legal holiday for Christmas and stores all closed, "Perdidediem" as the ancients said for not much has been done. Heard from Jennie. Mr. Chase went to Brookline for the day with John C. Chase's family, and has just come home at 8 p. m. with several presents and a button hole pink. This diary will end soon I have already bought a similar one for next year. I like this size, the largest to be found in town. The ground was bare but some snow is falling at night.

#### Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1910

Arose at 7:30 a. m., attended to fires, had breakfast, the steam heater bothered me by not drawing fast enough and so I was delayed in getting away. Went to Manchester at 1.23, attended Grand Lodge, Hanover Lodge worked E. A., Keene Lodge worked F. C. and Manchester the M. M. We had a fine banquet, in two halls, Masons' and Elks', six hundred plates perhaps. There were about twenty of the brethren from Derry, I came home soon after the banquet and reached the house at 8:45 p. m., fire in the steamer and the house fairly warm and comfortable.

#### Wednesday, Dec. 28, 1910

The day has been dull, not very cold but cloudy, went over town without rubbers, mere coloring of snow. went to library, asked for a book on Scotland, the librarian showed me

several, and among them I chose Margaret Ogilvy by J. M. Barrie. I brought it home and after supper read it through, 207 pages in about two hours, not skipping a word. I will say it is a fine piece of pointing in words and I mean to look for another of his books, still it is not just what I was looking for at the library, I want a book of recent travels in Scotland.

#### Thursday, Dec. 29, 1910

Went over town at 2 p. m. to meet George D. Gustin about interest on note, he will pay it tomorrow. Saw Dr. Barker in town who asked me to hear Miss Mary Perkins at the Woman's club on the Oberammergau play, which she saw last summer in Europe. At night Mr. Chase and I went to Rectory and played with Dr. Brent and Rev. Haslam. We had oyster stew at twenty minutes past eleven and came home after the

lights were off at twelve. Dr. Brent takes boat for Nova Scotia from Boston tomorrow.

## Friday, Dec. 30, 1910

The ground is bare or nearly bare. mild day, cooler and windy at dark. I was at the bank today, collected interest of one party and something on principal. Wrote some sections on sermon, recovered manuscript of last Sunday's address from printer. Sermon in Derry News this week. Received a Waterman fountain pen from Jerome, belated Christmas, Mr Chase sat a while with me tonight. The year is nearly at a close and the days lengthening. Bought a four pound chicken and cooked for supper in couple of hours.

### Saturday, Dec. 31, 1910

Zero weather in the morning and cold all day. I finished my sermon and went over town to get a few provisions. Spent the day generally at

home. Mrs. Harriet S. MacMurphy sent me an Omaha daily paper with a print of herself and something about her work in the state also a brief card. I have heard from several Nashotah graduates of my time with pleasant greetings. I am pleased to keep up the acquaintance of forty years. This is the last night of the year. Good bye.

#### Memoranda

The Waller High School of Chicago had a Principals' Reception December 15, 1909, at which the Toastmistress was M. S. MacMurphy. I think the Principal is Prof. Westcott who was at one time Principal of High School in Racine, Wis., when we lived there. He must be over seventy it seems to me and my wife still teaching in the High School is about sixtyfour years of age.

## Sunday, June 26, 1910

The church was decorated beautifally with flowers and ferns very

fragrant. At the morning service there was a large congregation and vested choir of thirteen. Mrs. French of Chester drove in with big auto. She has a fine summer residence in Chester. N. H., but lives in New York. She is the mother of Mrs. Ellen Vanderbilt who is divorced from Alfred Gynne Vanderbilt, the multimillionaires. I had the service and preached on the family state and nation in reference to being of one mind, text from the Epistle of the day.

September 12, 1910, Mr. Clifton Tyson found me over town and in his team brought me home with my provisions and then we talked for an hour about the celebration yesterday at which he delivered the address on the Rev. Edward L. Parker for 40 years pastor of the First Parish here. Mr. Tyson was twelve years on the staff of the New York Tribune under Whitelaw Reid. He was many years in

Washington as private secretary to Robeson, a Secretary of War with U. S. Grant, he was also at one time a bank officer in Phila., he wrote a book called The Miller and the Toad. that I am reading in which one of the characters introduces his opinions on the creation of the world, the origin of man, the development of mind and religion, the spiritual development of Jesus, the highest type of man, the spiritualism of the world, making duty out of the souls of the departed who take an interest in the management of the present inhabitant of the globe. Religion is a sort of cult that comes of seeking the good of humanity but has no supernatural element in it. There is no such thing as a miracle or supernatural occurrence.

September 21. I finished reading Winston Churchill's book, "A Modern Chronicle," and found it fascinating from start to finish, a very realistic picture of the conditions of society in reference to marriage, ambitions,

and divorces, the moral of which is that divorced women are likely to find themselves ostracised more or less from all respectable companies and their lives made quite uncomfortable in this country, they may find some relief by travel or residence in Paris, but here the best families will not show them many courtesies.

October 9th a Sunday p. m. Eugene F. Kingston, shoecatter, of Lynn, Mass., aged 21 years, son of John R. and Ella McCarty Kingston, of Lynn, Mass., and Florence D. Chesley, shoestitcher of Lynn, Mass., daughter of Benjamin and Dora Hamel Chesley of Lynn, Mass., came here to be married, (she is 19 years) had license duly signed, I called in Mr. and Mrs. Charles Huntee next door and married them, first marriage in both cases and no particular reason for their being wedded so far as I could learn, the woman claimed to be an attendant of the Episcopal church in Lynn, Mass.

October 13, 1910. After being at Dustin reunion. Jennie and I and Rev. Mr. Haslam went to Andover and called on the widow of our cousin. Milton Chickering on Essex st., she had married again and buried her second husband and is living with her mother. Her mother had a shock of apoplexy eight months ago, is partly paralyzed but perfectly clear in mind. Fanny received us with joy and kissed us on both cheeks as the expression is, and was very pleased to repeat it at our departure. Jennie and I, not Mr. Haslam of course, though she was courteous to him. We afterward called on Mrs. Anderson on the same street, she was gracious and showed us things left there by Otis. I looked through her books and papers and Dartmouth College Album that cost him fifty dollars in 1869. I am pleased with Mrs. Anderson and think she was a true friend to Otis. She apologyzed for not taking him into her house during his last sickness.

She was willing but did not suppose he was so near the end. We had a very pleasant sensation on the experiences of the day's visitations. I think I must go again and talk with both Mrs. Clarke and Mrs. Anderson who are certainly very friendly to our family.

October 14, 1910. I am just returned to Mrs. Jennie N. MacMurphy of Bristol, N. H., an old letter that she sent me a few days ago from her collection. It was written in 1833 to give some account of the family of David MacMurphy, then living on a farm in Munroe, Pope County, Illinois. The letter contained an extensive quotation from an earlier letter of David MacMurphy, Jr., written in 1831. These letters are interesting as showing where some of our relatives settled in early days before railroads and postage stamps and envelones were in use, the letter cost 25c to be carried.

October 24, 1910 Miss Dorothy Spratt called this morning to see : I could let her and Miss Eva Benson have rooms in this house and board themselves while attending Pinkerton Academy. I once had five students here. This year is unusual in demands for rooms with me. Mrs. Taylor wants to return. Mrs. spratt, husband and mother, Mrs. Mudge, want two rooms here. Dr. Dearborn and wife want two rooms and use of kitchen stove. Mrs. MacMurphy talked of coming home for winter and so I never had so many projects pointed at me at once.

December 13, 1910. Attendance of lodge, M. M. degree.
W. M. MacMurphy, J. G.
S. W. Hardy, L. B.
J. W. Upton, Geo. P.
Tr. John Webster
Sec. J. B. Bartlett
S. D., J. G. Reid
J. D., E. R. Angell

Ch., H. A. Hill Mar., C. A Kimball S. S., Chas. E. Newell J. S., L. W. Russell Ass., Anderson

Purington Tyler., Geo. A. Webster James Webster M. E. Odell Judge Emery William Clark William Crowell Chas. Tewksbury Ed. G. Powell Oliver H. Hepworth William Palmer Chas. W. Abbott J. F. Couch Chas. A. Sefton Pliny M. Campbell Eugene L. Campbell Philin P. How Warren Sargent Joseph H. Low

We had oyester stew and fruit and cigars after the work.

Masonic history, I was made Entered Apprentice in Bell Lodge, Racine, Wis., about May 8th, 1881, went immediately to California and paid no more attention to Masonry for 21 years, pased to Fellow Craft in St. Mark's Lodge, No. 44, Derry, N. H. September 16th, 1902, raised to Master Mason there November 11, 1902. Began in Bell Chapter Royal Arch Masons in Derry, N. H., advanced to the degree of Mark Master Mason. January 8th, 1903, regularly passed the chair as Past Master Feb. 12, 1903. Received Most Excellent Master February 26th, 1903, Exalted Royal Arch Mason, March 12th, 1903, Commenced in Adomiron Council R. and S. Masters in Manchester, N. H. Royal Master April 24th, 1903, Select Master, soon Super Excellent Master, same reason. Joined Trinity Commandery, Knights Templar in Manchester, Knight of the Red Cross. May 22nd, 1903, Knight of St. Johns soon after and Knight of Malta, full

uniform in June of same year. Worshipful Master of St. Mark's Lodge, No. 44, January 4th, 1910 for 2 years Excellent High Priest of Bell Royal Arch. Chapter No. 25, Derry, N. H., March 1909 for 2 years. Thrice Illustrious Master Mt. Nebo Councel R. & S. M., Derry, N. H., March 1908-1910. Started in Scotish Rite in Nashua, N. H. joining Aaron P. Hughes Lodge of Perfection, April 20, 1904. Prices of Jerusalem, April 21, 1904, Rose Croix, April 21, 1904, Sublime Prince, 32nd degree, April 21, 1904, Noble of the Mystic Shrine in Concord, N. H., Bektash Temple. Belong to Eastern Star, Representative of the Grand Council R. and S. M. of the State of Iowa near the Grand Council of the State of New Hampshire 1910.

Russell has sent me a book for Christmas, Dec. 26, on "Loche" short proverbs by one Col. Huntee. I had cards from Major D. E. Proctor of Wilton. Miss Alice Corning of North Londonderry; Bishop E. M. Parker, of Concord; Rev. Allan S. Woodle of Altuna, Pennsylvania; Miss Susan M. Smith and Miss Emily S. Hall of Boston. Two nice pictures of little Miriam S. MacMurphy and her brother Lawrence Gibson MacMurphy, these are from Mrs. MacMurphy, Sr. About all I did was to give a couple of dollars to our Sunday school presents and write forty cards and send to friends, the latter took the best part of a day's time.

At Grand Lodge Dec. 27, 1910

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Rev. Jesse G. MacMurphy,	W. M.
Charles B. Chase,	s. w.
Charles M. Huntee,	J. W.
James G. Reid,	S. A.
Edmund R. Angell,	J. W.
Dr. Ralph H. Barker,	Rep.
Frederick J. Shepard,	Gr. Sec.
Joseph B. Bartlett,	Sec.
Charles H. Clement,	
Fred M. Moore	
Monvin	

William Crowell

Ranney

Pliny M. Campbell Eugene L. Campbell Philip P. How Horace A. Hill

Chap.

Judge Emery

Lando B. Hardy, Fred N. George P. M.

George P. Upton Herbert Tibbetts

I had 2 albums from the Chickering estate and several daguerreotypes and other pictures, a framed picture of the Chickering home in Andover, Mass. Among letters I find one of 1831, written to Miss Sarah Jane Mac-Murphy by Frances C. Pinkerton from Bradford Academy, very religious and very confiding. I think, the writer married a Mr. Little of Derry and was my first Sunday school teacher at the Congregational church between 1850 and 1860. I am glad to have these old papers, now about eighty years since they were written.

I paid ten dollars for a mahogany bureau that was uncle Jacob Chickering's and came to me by the administrator of Otis Chickering. I paid two dollars and fifty five cents to get the bureau home. I paid fifteen dollars for nineteen silver spoons that were once aunt Sarah Jane Chickering's and came by Otis and five dollars I paid for the silver plated tea set of 4 pieces belonging to the same family. I got some letters from seventy five to eighty years old written by aunt Hannah MacMurphy and others.

My annual dues are paid	in	St.
Mark's lodge	\$	2.50
in Bell Chapter R. A. M.		2.00
in Mt. Nebo Council		1.00
in Commandery	,	4,00
in Scottish Rite		2.00
in Shrine		3.00
in New Hempshire		

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Historical Society	3.00
in Sons of American Revolution	1.50
in Confraternity of Blessed	
Sacrament	1.00
in Board of Trade	1.00
in Church to date	52.00

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